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THE EDITOR SAYS—

It looks like the Devil is riding with the other Horsemen of the Apocalypse as the world is in a turmoil that will be years in getting back to normal, if ever. Riots, uprisings, murder, assassinations, strikes, criminal attacks, robbery, petty cussedness, lack of confidence in banks and mankind generally. God fearing men and women seem to be in the minority. What is to be done is the question.

There should be something done to improve the banking laws of the United States to make depositors' money safe and regain confidence in banks. Reports show there has been but one bank failure in 430 years in China, for this four of the bank employees were beheaded. In Canada, our neighbor to the north, but one bank failure in 200 years. No wonder postal savings accounts are mounting to millions that should be deposited in banks. Whoever heard of a bank examiner finding anything wrong in a bank until it closed its doors? The week after an examination is made and report is sent to headquarters saying the bank is in good condition, the doors are closed. It is then the examiner finds something is wrong. So why an examiner at all? Most banks in small communities that are forced to close are caused by frozen loans that cannot be realized on in an emergency. Crookedness has caused many large financial institutions to close their doors. It is a hard proposition.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, writing from Corpus Christi, Texas, says: "Attached and two fifty for my Standard, 'The Essential Reading Material of this Family', though I can hardly say how good the last issue is, as these Sikestonian guests of ours scrambled over it, snatched it and held on. You would think they had been away a year! We are wishing you were here to see and eat the wonderful trout being caught. Actually saw sixty-one trout on one string, caught by one man yesterday, aside from the bushel baskets and tubs full everywhere.

They are, the Buchanans, Mrs. Rhodes and Mrs. Marshall, going to the Valley and 'Old Mexico', next week. No telling what tale they'll have on their return! Really, this is the truth about the fishing, even if it doesn't sound it."

This is not going to sound good to some, but this is no time for sentiment. Hundreds of young men and women have struggled to get sufficient education to teach school and be self supporting. Too many married women are given preference to school positions when their husbands should support them and let them stay at home and be the queen of the household. While conditions are so upset why not give these single girls a chance to make a living and let the married women remain at home. Married women may be better teachers, still, let their husband support them and give the unmarried a chance. This is not personal.

Two women talking about the terrible run, and when it started in a small way ended disastrously. A panicky business man over-hearing them became excited thinking they were talking of a bank run when it was the run in a silk stocking.

This Monday morning is beautiful. The sun shines bright and is calculated to put life into everyone and everything. One more week of February then comes March—a month of changeable weather. Anyway, it is now time to get prices on painting and papering, on spading the garden and fixing the lawn and flower beds. Plenty of help is to be had and every dollar spent now for improving your property will furnish work for some family. Honest work is what every able bodied person desires instead of charity. Get busy and help your property and help some family.

Unsettled business conditions throughout the land has curtailed credit for the working man as well as the business man. No wholesale house cares to overload the retail firm who sells on credit, and the retail merchant hesitates to sell a customer on time for fear collections will be slow and he cannot meet his bill. So it goes. If you are accorded credit, pay promptly, or do without. The man of family is bound to keep his credit good or go hungry for his credit soon runs out.

Every once in a while you hear of someone getting too big for their britches. This holds good with both men and women. Whenever a person thinks no one can fill their place in business they just make a bad mistake.

Charge of Embezzlement Filed Against Cashier of Closed Bank of Senath

Senath, Mo., February 17.—William H. Hutchins, cashier of the closed Citizen's Bank of Senath, was arrested here last night and lodged in jail at Kennett at the direction of Prosecuting Attorney Elbert Ford, who said he would place a formal charge of embezzlement against the cashier. He was released on bond of \$10,000 today.

Cashier Hutchins did not sleep in the Dunklin County jail. At 1 a. m., accompanied by Constable J. O. Williams, he began a tour of his friends to obtain signers on a \$10,000 bond which the Constable approved about daybreak, when he released Hutchins, who promised to bring in more signers today. The first signers included Garfield Wilson, merchant and president of the School Board, and Henry S. Jones, director of the bank.

The arrest of Hutchins followed a conference of the Prosecuting Attorney and directors of the bank at which the directors asserted Hutchins had used \$11,000 of the bank's funds without authority of the board and had put his personal note in the bank for that amount after the bank had been closed.

Auditors at work on the bank's books and accounts of the Senath school district reported yesterday to Prosecuting Attorney Ford that Delmar G. Doherty, assistant cashier, who disappeared January 25, a few days before the bank closed, was short more than \$19,200 in the bank funds and \$10,200 as treasurer of the school district. The Prosecuting Attorney announced he also had learned of another discrepancy of about \$10,000 in the bank accounts and that the auditors have not yet determined who is responsible for this. A warrant charging embezzlement has been issued against Doherty.

G. W. Krone, president of the bank, which had total deposits of \$80,000, told the Prosecuting Attorney the bank would claim insurance to cover any losses charged against Hutchins and Doherty, and that if recoveries were made from the surety company on the bonds of the two men, it was probable the bank could be reorganized and reopened at an early date.

Hutchins previously had reported a lone masked robber had held him up in the bank after banking hours the afternoon of January 26 and had stolen \$16,000 in currency. President Krone has made a claim for this amount under burglary insurance carried by the bank.

Doherty, the missing assistant cashier, has not been heard from since his disappearance three weeks ago. Officials of the school district and directors of the bank said Doherty had a trading account with a Memphis investment broker and that some of the school district funds had been traced to that concern in remittances made by Doherty.

Hutchins and Doherty, both in their early thirties, have been connected with the bank since boyhood. Hutchins told the directors and this correspondent that he used the bank's funds for his unsuccessful campaign last August for the Democratic nomination for county treasurer, but asserted a majority of the directors had approved what he termed "the loans" for this purpose.

One Hundred School Men Meet Here to Discuss Pending Legislation

About one hundred school superintendents, principals, County Superintendents and board members from the surrounding five-county area met in the Sikeston high school auditorium Saturday morning to discuss and consider legislation pending before the Missouri State Legislature.

The school men went on record as favoring an additional tax on tobacco, and upon electricity and gas. The approved, also, a more equitable average rate for railroads and utilities. Those present expressed opposition to legislation dealing with the elimination of high school inspectors, and with the adoption of uniform text books in the State.

A committee representing each of the five counties met with Senator J. C. McDowell at Charleston Saturday night at 7 o'clock, and personally requested his assistance. Members of the committee included R. V. Ellis, local school superintendent; A. D. Simpson of Charleston, Ray Lucas and Steve Barton of Benton, Fred Miller and a school board member of Dexter, H. S. Jones of Caruthersville and Ralph McCullough of New Madrid.

Arsonist Frustrated By Lone Fireman Thursday

The fact that one member of the Sikeston Fire Department happened to live in the neighborhood probably saved a residence from destruction about 12:30 o'clock last Thursday night. A block east of North Ranney street, on a corner lot, a fire broke out. Fannie Mathis, was fired by an arsonist who used kerosene and wadded newspapers placed in a gable of the house. The back door and several windows were left open to allow a good draft.

A noisy Model T Ford, which clattered into the alley in back of O. T. Elder's home on North Ranney, awakened this fireman. He got up, went to the front door, but soon retired again when he failed to notice the car. About twenty minutes later, Elder again heard the machine. This time he was certain that he had pulled into the alley in back of his garage, because lights from the machine flitted across the walls of his room as the driver backed out of the alley. A fire call came in at this time by telephone. He arose again, and this time happened to glance out the front door. A block away he noticed flames licking out of the roof of a dwelling.

With the assistance of two men who arrived at the scene of the fire, and who assisted by handing buckets of water to a porch roof, Elder was able to extinguish the blaze in short order.

Firemen in the meantime had made a false run to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews, and arrived at the O. T. Elder home after the fire had been extinguished. One of the boys noticed Elder's signals from the Vernon street house, and the fire crew returned home.

The Vernon street residence was struck by lightning in the Fall of 1930 or Spring of 1931, and partially rebuilt. It was subsequently rebuilt.

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COMMITTEE TO FIGHT ABOLITION OF SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICTS IN STATE

A local committee consisting of R. E. Bailey, Jos. L. Matthews, W. H. Sikes and J. W. Baker, Sr., representing the Sikeston Special Road District, drove to Jefferson City to appear before a Senate committee Monday to file objections to a Senate bill favorably reported by the Senate committee on roads and highways, attempting to abolish all special road districts. Additional representatives from Scott County are expected to appear before the committee Tuesday and Wednesday this week in an effort to fight this bit of pending legislation which would destroy, among others, the Sikeston Special Road District.

A committee consisting of 230 representatives from the Springfield, Mo., district appeared before the Senate committee last week-end and registered their disapproval. Special road districts are largely responsible in the west part of the State for highway construction and road improvements and many of the same conditions applicable to the Sikeston case were pleaded by the Springfield committee. It is to be pointed out that road districts, especially those adjacent to cities, and large population centers have proven beneficial. In most instances the county courts who, under provisions of the Senate bill, would in the future administer road funds, are unable to provide necessary equipment and over-seers. The Sikeston committee will endeavor to convince the Senate committee that the road district here has served a useful purpose, that thousands of dollars worth of equipment would be "junked" and that roads now carrying heavy traffic are adequately maintained by the Special Road District.

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Layton Finley Held As Third Member of Chicken Thief Gang

The arrest late Thursday night of Layton Finley, 17 years old, came as a surprise development in the case growing out of the theft of chickens from the Elmer Grant farm last Wednesday night. Two other Sikeston young men, Herbert Bandy and J. W. Cox, were arrested and held a few hours after selling 124 pounds of chickens at the Goodwin Company, Dexter. Later developments pointed to young Finley as the "brains" of the outfit, and followup work by R. R. Reed, patrol sergeant, and deputy sheriff Ira Shuffitt confirmed that suspicion.

Finley, according to statements by Cox and Bandy, lives in the Grant neighborhood and engineered the deal. He knew that Mr. and Mrs. Grant would be away from home attending a supper and play at the Richwoods church, and suggested the theft to his two cronies.

Finley was taken to Benton immediately following his arrest at home about 10:15 o'clock Thursday by Sheriff Joe Anderson.

Cox and Bandy are being held in jail at Bloomfield. Their preliminary trial is set for February 25, when, in the opinion of Sheriff George Barham, a plea of guilty will be entered.

This development is the first instance of benefits to be derived from co-operation between law enforcement agencies. A meeting to affect such co-operation was held in Poplar Bluff Wednesday. Barham, incidentally, was elected treasurer of the organization perfected. Since the sale of chickens was made in his county, Sheriff Barham took charge, called Headquarters of the Highway Patrol and Brown Jewell, Constable.

The two local young men were arrested a few minutes after their arrival in Sikeston from the chicken selling expedition.

Elmer Grant informed this newspaper Thursday evening that between 40 and 46 birds were missing from his pens. Only 24 were recovered, leaving either 16 or 22 unaccounted for.

Senate Committee Favors Bill to Out Road Patrol

Jefferson City, February 17.—Abolition of the State Highway Patrol is favored by the Senate Roads and Highways Committee.

The committee, at an executive session late last night, voted to favorably report a bill by Senator Carl J. Henry (D), Butler, to repeal the law passed by the 1931 General Assembly creating the patrol. A members of the committee said the vote was "almost unanimous".

Senator Henry has described his bill as "a real economy measure", his introducing the bill recently, he said that, so far as he knew, the patrol is "performing no useful service to the people of Missouri". The committee's action came as a surprise.

An appropriation of \$733,700 has been recommended by the State Tax Commission for the 1933-34 biennium. The patrol, which did not begin operation until late in November, 1931, received an appropriation of \$335,000 for the 1931-32 biennium.

Except for the superintendent, who is appointed by the governor and is subject to removal by him, the patrol is 50-50 politically. Col. Lewis Ellis of Bethany has been superintendent since the patrol was established, but, if it is retained, he will be replaced by a Democrat.

The office bill for an average reduction of about 20 per cent in registration fees for passenger automobiles, vigorously opposed by the Citizens' Road Committee, was favorably reported by the committee.

Opposes Bill

Hugh Stephens, a former member of the Highway Commission, appeared in opposition to the bill, which he called "extremely unwise". He said the brunt of the reduction will necessarily fall upon the rural districts, where much of the farm-to-market system remains to be completed.

Senator Jerome M. Joffe (D), Kansas City, said he did not believe the proposed reductions would seriously interfere with the main in the Salvation Army Home between three and four months.

In times of stress or abnormal conditions, it is found that the moral of people and the general morality often drops far below normal conditions, which necessitates a great deal of real social work as well as relief work.

According to Mrs. Dickerman, the Salvation Army has had good response in Sikeston heretofore, and due to the fact that in many localities, its funds are coming in small amounts, because of these financial conditions in these same localities, that organization is anticipating the co-operation of this vicinity in the financial help and trusting that every one will give this their best possible assistance, in this time of great need.

The local committee for this work has not as yet been organized, but Mrs. Dickerman hopes to have it organized and at work within a very short time. Among those who have served heretofore on the advisory board are C. C. White, C. H. Denman and C. L. Blanton, Sr.

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DANCE CLUB BOOKS "BAT AND HIS SEVEN HOT FOOTERS" WEDNESDAY

"Bat and his Seven Hot Footers", a negro band from Osceola, Ark., has been booked to play for the second Dance Club of 1933 event at the Armory this week Wednesday night, 9:30 'till 1:00 o'clock. The group was formed recently and numbers quite a few of the local and district dance fans on its membership roll. Members only will be admitted Wednesday.

CHARLESTON JAYS CLOSE SEASON WITH DOUBLE WIN OVER CHAFFEE

Charleston, February 17.—The Charleston high school basketball team closed the season tonight with a double win over the Chaffee high school team, winning 28-13 and the boys 31-14.

The Lady Blue Jays, after getting off to a bad start, finished the season with a record of 6 victories, 4 defeats and one tie. They lost the first three games and then started on their winning streak.

The Charleston girls led during the entire game, leading 9-1 at the end of the first period, and 17-5 at the half. During the third period the Chaffee cagers scored 11 points to a 4 for Charleston, reducing the local lead to 3 points. Charleston forged ahead to win by a 10 point margin. Gately, Chaffee forward, was the leading scorer with 15 points, Toney scoring the remaining 3. Charleston scoring was done by Burke, 12 points, Corbett 10 and Pemberton 6.

The boys' season closed with a record of 12 victories and 3 defeats. Charleston led the Scott-Mississippi League, not being defeated in the two counties.

The game tonight was a close one until the last half. At the end of the first frame, Charleston led 9-7. The score at the half was 10-10. During the third period, Charleston held the visitors score less while counting 9 times. Chaffee scored 4 points in the fourth period to end their scoring for the night.

Hopkins, star Chaffee forward, held the burdens of the visitors scoring on his shoulders, scoring 21 points. Harrell and Raper with 2 and 3 points, respectively, completed the scoring. Brown, stocky Charleston guard, capped a lead by the locals with 11 points. Howie, high scoring ace for Charleston, although being held scoreless in the first half, scored 10 points in the final half. Ellis, always a consistent scorer, a total of 8 for the night. Parks, lopping in a long field goal finished the locals scoring.

Tharon Stallings of Sikeston was the referee.

Folks who never do any more than they get paid for never get paid for any more than they do.—Elbert Hubbard.

Red Cross Drive Still Short of Goal; Workers Reorganize for Cleanup

With the goal in sight, workers in the Emergency Red Cross drive planned today to revamp their lines and to make another clean-up attempt in an effort to reach the full quota of \$750. Under the plan adopted, Sikeston has agreed to take care of its own needy cases, meaning those living within the corporate limits only. Approximately \$1250 will be necessary to carry on this work until spring farm activities open up. The City of Sikeston recently voted to match dollar for dollar with Red Cross funds up to \$500 in this relief work and to provide and supervise sufficient work for unemployed persons to earn a living.

The drive thus far has brought in slightly more than \$500 and an additional effort will be made to raise this sum at least to the quota figure.

That part of the Sikeston trade area lying in Scott County, but outside the corporate limits of the city, will be taken care of in the future by a county agency. The County Court last week made preliminary arrangements to request an R. F. C. loan for this purpose, but the City graciously declined this offer, saying that it would make an attempt to care for its own needy and distressed cases, and not add this to the general county burden.

DRIVERS WILL BE ABLE TO CHECK SPEEDOMETERS IN S. H. D. TEST LANES

Two "test lanes", each approximately five miles in length are to be marked off soon by State Highway Department employees, one south of Sikeston on Highway 61 and another near Dexter on Highway 60, it was announced at Division 10 headquarters here recently.

Drivers will be notified by a sign near the highway to "Check Speedometer Here". At that point the trip mileage fractional mile, and gross reading should be jotted down. Each mile for five miles is to be accurately chained by surveyors, and at the end of the five-mile "land" another sign will state "Stop Check Here".

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Annual Boys' Basketball Tourney to Get Underway Tues. Nite

The Eighth Annual Boys' Washington Birthday Basketball Tournament, inaugurated by Herb Moore, will get underway at 7:00 o'clock Tuesday evening with Diehlstadt and Canolau on the floor in the local high school gym. The rest of the preliminary schedule follows:

8:00—Charleston vs. Matthews
9:00—Sikeston vs. Morehouse
10:00—Fisk vs. New Madrid
Semi-finals will get into action at 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Final games will be played at 7:30 and 8:30 o'clock that night. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded in this tournament. In addition to this, officials will select the usual All-Star team, and will award gold, silver and bronze trophies to the three best individuals.

The special inducement to attend the 3-session tournament is being made by local school officials. Adults may witness the entire tournament for \$1.00. Children will be admitted at twenty-five cents per session.

JAIL BREAK TRIO CAUGHT IN TULSA

Alvie McClendon, Jack Griffith and Elmer Edmonds, who last January 15 broke jail at Ozark, Mo., in Christian County, wanted for chicken theft, jail break in Pemiscott County, store theft in Malden, car theft at Dexter and at Ozark, were captured last week in Tulsa, Oklahoma, according to word received by the local Highway Patrol office.

The trio was awaiting trial when the Christian County break occurred. They obtained a Ford coach at Ozark in which to drive to near Dexter, where on the night of Jan. 16, they obtained a 1930 Ford coach from R. A. Baker. The machine was recovered at Tulsa.

Government agents will prefer charges of violating the Dyer act.

STUDENT IS SPEED DEMON ON TYPEWRITER

Sam Bowman, Senior in high school, last week established a local speed record in typing when he wrote 108 words per minute for five consecutive minutes without error. In this test Bowman typed a sentence using every letter of the alphabet. National amateur speed records range upward to 150 words per minute, but subject material is straight test matter and not repetition.

Boxing Card Offers Variety to Fans Tuesday Night

Twenty-one rounds of boxing, ranging in variety from first class middleweight to just plain leather swapping appear on the card slated for presentation at the Armory Tuesday night beginning at 8:15 o'clock. Joe Ryan fighting his first bout as a headliner, meets Art Jones of Poplar Bluff. In the semi-finals Big Spider Burns is slated for three rounds with Herb Swinger, a Dexter product. Ryan is in first class condition and promises to do nothing but "throw leather" from the first going to the last. Art Jones is known in the district as a youngster who can well take care of himself, so anything might happen when these two begin to swap blows.

Burns is stacked up like a brick foundation. He has powerful driving ability and punch, but he can absorb plenty of punishment. Burns started in about a month ago as a raw recruit, and since that time has developed considerably.

Mighty Ancell who surprised himself as well as his followers by taking a decision from Joe Ryan, recently will meet Bobby Bryant, a Charleston lad. While the money is on Ancell, Bryant should not be discounted. He has fought numerous bouts in his district, and may be expected to hold his end of the rope.

The Charlie Porter, Claude Crowley go promises to be the best fight in the preliminaries. Neither of the two boys could be classed as a "scientific" boxer, but there will be plenty of action, and action is what fight fans demand. Crowley has a well-earned reputation of being one of the best rough and tumble fighters in Morehouse, and Porter never knows when to quit. With that combination, local fight fans anticipate getting their moneys worth. Young Greer and Bill Keller, Jr., will appear in the opening prelim, while a negro "championship" fight for the first local honors between "Spanner" Coleman and Young Johnson has been arranged as a curtain raiser.

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Two wild turkeys from the Ozarks region were recently taken before a committee of the Missouri legislature. The birds were used as exhibits to help explain certain factors in new game-preservation legislation. Wonder what these turkeys thought of the other birds.

On every hand you hear complaints of those hard pressed for cash about being unable to borrow. Our banks and loan companies are filled to the brim with cash just as our granaries are with wheat, yet people are starving and others are losing their holdings because they are unable to borrow. While we sympathize with every home owner who is about to be foreclosed, what is there in the actions of those who conspire to prevent creditors from lawfully collecting their loans on real estate and personal property, to cause the wealthy to risk their cash on future loans of this class. We believe those who conspire are defeating the very aims which they seek to achieve. Certainly a bank would not risk the funds of its depositors on farm loans in a locality where residents would conspire unlawfully to prevent it from collecting these loans.—Jackson Cash Book.

How much is a reputation worth? It is too bad that people cannot understand its value early enough to make it one of their assets. Recently we were asked by the influential head of a big organization about a certain acquaintance who had applied for a responsible position. We were asked if the applicant was honest and reliable. Ability counts for little in a position of a trust, it seems, unless honesty and reliability are included in a person's reputation. Too often this is not discovered until no matter how well an individual lives, his past reputation pulls him down to a point from which he cannot ascend.—Shelbina Democrat.

Uncle Sam will keep all his fighting ships on the Pacific side of the country for at least one more year. This is wise. It seems that war with Japan is only the question of time, however much we may desire to avoid it. Japan strikes without warning. She ignores all the established preliminaries of open warfare. Her victory over Russia, it will be remembered, was made possible by sudden destruction of the Russian fleet when a state of war did not exist. Our fleet will meet the same fate unless the utmost vigilance is maintained or if it should be weakened by sending part of the ships back to the Atlantic. Loss of naval supremacy would mean loss of the Philippines and Hawaii, with costly raids along our coasts. We must take no chances on Japan.—Paris Appeal.

Another trouble with the times is the universal demand that everything—farm products, manufactured goods, labor, etc.—be sold at ruinous prices. No matter how little a farmer may ask for a ham or a merchant may charge for a sack of flour, the customer makes a speech about everything else coming down and insists on a much lower price. No wonder times continue to stay bad. They will never get any better until city people and country people are willing to buy each other's products on a business basis.—Paris Appeal.

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They Say—Says The 2nd About Town

By ART L. WALLHAUSEN

"To forget your troubles scratch in the soil" such is the advice of the directors of the national Yard and Garden Contest.

Those who must of necessity limit their soil scratching to a window box, will miss some of the thrills of gardening, of running the neighbor's chickens back over the fence, and of seeing the tiny sprouts push through the earth. But there is no excuse for not having a garden on every vacant lot in the city, back of every home, and on each and every farm within a ten-mile radius of Sikeston. Seeds are cheap, cotton hulls for fertilizer can be had almost for the asking, and the ground in 99 cases out of 100 is available. All it takes is a little PUSH of which there seems to be a scarcity.

It is a damnsite easier to sit on the curb at the Trust Company corner and cuss the government. The Standard, the County Court, or your landlord, than it is to hose a pea patch.

But them beans are handy next winter when frogskins are as scarce as frogs in an icepack on the Mississippi.

Will there be WAR with Japan and the United States next April? A Sikeston student of history declares as much. Incidentally, we would like to have Prof. Mahew's brilliant history students look up the dates of the BEGINNING of each war starting with the Revolution, and coming down through the Civil conflict, the War of 1812, the Spanish-American War, Mexican disturbance and the late World War.

Mahew is right. Occasionally the writer is quoted as authority? On some statement or other, mostly for the sake of an argument, and the reply usually is "Aw that guy has bats in the belfry" or words to that effect.

Not long ago we entered into a discussion with a fond mam over the "new school" of child psychology. "Never correct a child," and "let the little darlings express their individuality" were two platitudes in particular that stuck in the editorial craw.

At present we have no children to speak of, but in our experience we have noticed several of those "little darlings" who were never corrected, and who always expressed their individuality. We recall a half dozen who are now in the house of correction, and others who will soon be there unless some smart lawyers takes the case.

In our humble, bachelor opinion when the young hopeful is squawling the loudest in his assertions of individuality, frinstance "WAA, WAAaaaaa, I wanna apple", we would dutifully make a bee line for the orchard, and like as not we would return with part of a tree—but it would not be an apple.

Said part of the tree with largest knots whittled away would be applied firmly and studiously to that part of the anatomy "twixt said individualist and his high chair".

Judge Cope last Wednesday appeared before a meeting of Southeast Missouri peace officers.

"Now you fellows have met here to study crime, criminals and treatment", he said in effect. "Go home, but don't go home with the idea of catching criminals with long gray beards, false faces, and paunchy stomachs. Look for kids from 9 to 19 years old. They are the ones who daily and weekly file past the bench, and they are the ones who are just now cluttering up the jails, the houses of correction, and the penitentiaries".

"Most of them were not taught to respect parents, law, God, man or the Devil in their youth". Put that in some cranial file.

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DAY BY DAY WITH GOVERNOR PATTERSON

We are never prepared for cold weather in this climate and the result is that when it does come, we seem to suffer more than in northern latitudes, where snow and freezing temperatures are expected, and provision is made against their rigors.

I would not venture to say with any definition what our past winters were like, because there are always records to bob up unexpectedly to prove the facts contrary to one's memory, but the past winter and the one now on hand are enough to demonstrate that we can have brands of weather that range from balmy spring to snow and ice, and from snow and ice back to paring with sufficient suddenness to please any one looking for thrills in the weather.

Already we have had two definite beginnings of spring, followed by periods of heavy ice and snow which obliterated all the signs of the earth's rejuvenation, and last year the same phenomenon occurred. In the early part of 1932 fruit trees were the special sufferers from the intense cold that followed the earth's awakening. The peach crop was a total failure, as icy fingers gripped the swelling buds and touched with death the blossoms that knew no better than to flaunt their beauty too early and fall the innocent victims of the winter's blast.

On my place in the country not only were the peach buds and blossoms all killed, but 15 flourishing pear trees that I had selected and planted with care.

Some of these had reached bearing age, having grown to the height of 10 or 12 feet and every one of these with the smaller trees were frozen, and stood in their places in the earth with their limbs and trunks blackened and dead through and through.

This year the peach trees were not so far advanced when the last cold spell seized upon them, and just how much these and other trees in the locality have been injured they may not be done any good. That much is certain and my idea is that the crop will be negligible.

Before we had that wonderful exhibition of sleet and ice festooning the trees and shrubs with never to be forgotten silvery laces and crystals, causing such heavy damage to vegetation whose fibre was not strong enough to resist, the grass was springing up in the parks, field daisies were showing their timid heads and dandelions were blooming at the feet, but they were all sent back to their dark

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cells in the earth, and for a time thereafter spring gave no sign of another advent. It doesn't take long, though, for Spring to try again. Rebuffed, a week or two of warm weather will encourage her for another start, and this was made, only to have all her fresh and pretty evidences again destroyed when the cold wave just passed rode down from the north with its bitter, blasting breath.

I visited my place in the country and everything visible of Spring had disappeared. The violets that were in bloom in the garden were the pictures of despair, hollyhock that had made considerable growth were a mass of frozen, disconsolate green, the tulips and other flowering bulbs that had shot out of the earth with a few of them already in bloom appeared a pale, sickly white, as if ashamed of having been so cruelly received, and the forsythia bushes in their yellow robes look crushed and forsaken. A beautiful ribbon of watercress growing in a spring branch was frozen and covered in ice. The chickens looked sad and the cows disconsolate.

So far as I could tell all the rose bushes which had been carefully trimmed were frozen to the ground. How far underneath I do not know.

Any kind of weather they say is good weather, because it is all we have, and we might say this also of the times, but neither weather nor the times are exactly to our liking, though apparently we can do little about either.—Commercial Appeal.

180-POUND SHEEP NETS ITS OWNER 72 CENTS

Pittsfield, Ill., February 16.—A 180-pound sheep today brought its owner, P. R. Hammerton of Detroit, Ill., a purchase price of 72 cents.

That was the amount of the check the sheep raiser received after shipping the animal to the St. Louis market by truck and meeting yardage and commission charges.

Dean Ellis of East Pittsfield told a story similar in tone today. He took a calf hide to market yesterday and failing a fair offer for it, succeeded in exchanging it for six loaves of bread and 5 cents to boot.

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SCOTT COUNTY AND STATE LIVESTOCK CENSUS

Livestock and chickens on farms in Scott County total as follows: 1530 horses, 4420 mules, 3340 milk cows, 3180 other cattle, 26,100 hogs, 1090 sheep, and 74,670 chickens, according to latest estimates of E. A. Logan of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, as of the first day of January, 1933.

Missouri farms have 551,000 horses, compared with 574,000 one year ago—a reduction of 4 per cent. Missouri mules are 288,000 against 291,000 one year ago—being only 1 per cent reduction.

Missouri cattle of all kinds are 2,664,000 head, against 2,660,000 last year, and 2,542,000 two years ago.

Milk cows total 1,040,000 or 1 per cent above the 1,030,000 in 1932, and 5 per cent above the 989,000 in 1931.

Other cattle of beef type are 1,624,000 head, the largest since 1924.

Hogs on Missouri farms total 4,390,000, the greatest number since 1924 with 4,860,000 head. The increase over 1932 is 7 per cent.

Missouri sheep on farms are 1,195,000, a reduction of 2.5 per cent from the 1,225,000 a year ago and 1,204,000 on farms two years ago.

Chickens total 25,182,000 on farms, compared to 24,449,000 last year—3 per cent increase.

Livestock in the U. S. A. Condensed for ready reference and quick reading, the following are the livestock "populations" of the United States, as of the first day of this year of 1933:

Total horses, 12,163,000, valued \$658,684,000, compared with 12,641,000 with \$74,611,000 valuation. Mules are 4,981,000 at \$300,391,000, against 5,089,000 at \$308,617,000 last year. Cattle, 65,129,000

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this year, and \$2,656,000 for 1932. Value now \$1,297,828,000, against \$1,668,742,000 for last year. Hogs, 60,176,000, value \$732,749,000 now, and 59,078,000 at \$986,274,000 for 1932. Sheep on farms, 51,630,000, value \$149,544,000, against 53,321,000 at \$181,051,000 in January, 1932.

HEALTH CARDS ISSUED FOR CHARLESTON KIDDIES

Charleston, February 17.—Miss Elsie Barnes, County Health Nurse, has announced that the following children of Eugene Field School will be awarded health cards:

Nine Point Children—Breckie and Bobbie Crowe, Jack Garson, Collier Courtney, Beth Jennings, Rosemary Putnam and Ruth Cronin.

Six Point Children—Jack Hall, Carl Parks, Virginia Marshall, Marian Croson, Nanette Marshall, Geraldine Monroe, Jack Brown, Helen Lovelace, Betty Sue Davis, Robert Frasher, Jane Hequemur, Freddie Dark, Dorothy Fay Moore, David Lair and Paul Tanner.

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KIRK ATTENDS SCOUT MEETING IN MALDEN

Hon. George W. Kirk of Charleston, District President of Boy Scouts of Southeast Missouri, and Thos. Arthur of Charleston were visitors in Malden Tuesday evening, where they attended a banquet given for Scouts in the dining room of the Methodist church. A very interesting program was rendered. Music for the evening was furnished by a double quartette of high school students. Boy Scouts served the menu.

ENGINEER CHECKS WEAR ON MUNY PLANT MOTORS

L. H. Higgins, factory representative and engineer from the Fairbanks, Morse & Co., plant is engaged in making a general inspection of the municipal electric plant, covering cylinder and bearing wear, general lubrication efficiency and checking other adjustments. The inspection is made annually.

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Co-Workers Benefit Show To Be Given February 21
 The benefit picture show to be given at Malone Theatre Tuesday night, February 21, will be sponsored by the Co-Workers of the Methodist church. The picture, "Fast Life", starring William Haines, will be shown. A program will be given in connection with the picture as follows: Musical selections by the choir of the Methodist Church, a male quartet composed of Oscar Carroll, Wilbur Ensor, H. A. Bach and Harry Dover will sing "Southern Melody", by Parks; a string ensemble, composed of Frederic Claiborne, Daniel Malone, Mrs. Harvey Johnson, Mrs. I. L. Parrett, and Wootson Hollingsworth will play, "Spanish Dance", by Moskowski. Mrs. H. J. Welsh will be the accompanist. "Sympathy", from the musical comedy "Fire-fly" by Friml, will be given by twenty-two voices.

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News of the Town

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watson are now residing in the Tom Meyer property on North Prairie avenue, having moved there the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carpenter of Chicago, Ill., came last Friday. Mr. Carpenter left Saturday for Chicago, while Mrs. Carpenter remained here for a longer visit with her sister, Mrs. Dal Harnes, and family.

Mrs. Jesse Cramer of Caruthersville spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Meyer.

Virgil Harnes, Misses Dalma Harnes and Maxine Pearson of Blodgett were visitors in Farmington, Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lankford and children returned Sunday afternoon from Memphis, Tenn., where they spent the week-end with Mrs. Lankford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Walker.

Mrs. E. M. Leech, who has been seriously ill the past two weeks, is reported this Monday morning as slowly improving.

Miss Eva Ward of Clinton, Ky., was the week-end guest of Mrs. Robert Law.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. McAmus, who reside in the Raymond Marshall property on North Kingshighway, are planning to move about the first of the month to the Mrs. John Walker home on Dorothy Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Agee and children moved Monday to a farm north of Skeston.

Jim Law was a business visitor in Dexter last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sanders and daughters and Miss Inez Pugh of Poplar Bluff spent Sunday in Skeston. Mrs. Sanders and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Proffer, while Miss Pugh visited Mrs. Jack Johnson.

Miss Marian McKee, a teacher in the Diehlstadt school, spent last week-end in Skeston, the guest of her sister, Miss Dorothy McKee. Miss Myra Tanner spent from Friday until Sunday in Cape Girardeau, the guest of Mrs. Harold Hebbeler.

Arnold Roth of Cape Girardeau was a Skeston visitor, Sunday.

Supt. Roy V. Ellise was a business visitor in Charleston last Saturday evening. He was accompanied to that place by Misses Dorothy McKee and Ruth Evans and Mrs. Moore Greer. Misses McKee and Evans visited with friends, while Mrs. Greer visited with her mother, Mrs. W. T. Marshall.

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Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Saturday night and Sunday in Jackson, the guest of Miss "Pats" Gockel.

DeLisle Heisler left Monday morning for Jefferson City, where he has a position with the Western Union.

Mrs. A. A. Mayfield and Mrs. Murray Klein were Cape Girardeau visitors last Saturday afternoon.

Harold Cope of Blodgett was in Skeston Sunday.

A Colonial party will be enjoyed by the Eastern Star members at its meeting Thursday evening. The Skeston lodge has been invited to be guests of the Dexter O. E. S. Friday night of this week.

Miss Nell Yanson entertained Monday evening with a dinner-bridge party at her home on Gladys street.

Miss Wooten Hollingsworth spent last week-end at Bertrand, the guest of Miss Julia Fennimore. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mitchell and children accompanied Mrs. Jennie Mitchell to Cape Girardeau Sunday afternoon, where she will visit during this week with her sister, Mrs. R. S. Rutledge.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen of Blytheville, Ark., spent Sunday in Skeston.

Tharon Stallings and P. D. Malone were week-end visitors in Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Medley of Campbell spent the week-end here with their son, Duree Medley, and Mrs. Medley.

Abbie Storey, Bob Davis and Joe Ellis of Charleston were Skeston visitors Saturday night.

Misses Lena Matthews and Lucille Finley were in Cape Girardeau last Saturday.

Grady Davis spent the week-end in St. Louis visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bess went to Yount, Mo., Monday, where Mrs. Bess will spend this week, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Newman and baby and Mrs. Gene Tucker and baby of Canolou were dinner guests last Friday evening of Miss Maud Adams.

The Girls' Scout Club met last Saturday afternoon with Esther Jane Greer. During the business session, new officers were elected. The Club meets each week. Next Saturday they will meet with Patricia Blanton.

Mrs. Nathan Yoffie and children and maid, on last Friday, moved to an apartment in Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Yoffie and children have been in that city the past two weeks, where the daughter underwent an operation for double mastoids, at a hospital there. She was able to leave the hospital last Friday, but will have to remain there for further treatments. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Topper and son are at the Yoffie home during Mrs. Yoffie's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Garrett were called to Murphysboro, Ill., last Thursday, on account of the death of their son, Paul Garrett. All the details that could be learned was that Mr. Garrett had been to St. Louis and was on his return trip home, when his car was hit by a train about 20 miles from Belleville, last Wednesday night. His car was demolished and body not discovered until next morning. He is survived besides his parents, by his wife and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden visited in Cape Girardeau Saturday. Mrs. Lumsden visited her mother while David attended to some business.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lumsden of Matthews were dinner guests of the David Lumsden family Sunday.

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Chinese Are Lawless, Cruel, Aggressive Says Letter From Japanese to Tom Baker

The other side of the picture is given by a loyal Japanese student, Kato Uchida, several times quoted in these columns, in another letter to Tom Baker, local high school student, who for nearly a year has been in correspondence with a fellow student in Japan. The last letter was written "1933, January 29", to write in the fashion of Uchida, and was received by Baker last week.

If what Uchida says is true, the world has sadly misjudged the Japanese. It is barely possible, however, that the young man has a slightly biased viewpoint, due to certain factors known as strict censorship, control of the press, and an educational system which teaches, as all educational systems teach in time of war, only these facts and factors which substantiate the patriotic viewpoint. By reading between the lines of Uchida's last letter it is easy to see how war hatreds are kept alive.

The letter:

1933, 1, 29

Dear Tom: I beg your pardon for not having sent a letter to you; I had caught a cold and had a slight headache. But I am now in good health. When I read an American paper sent from you I was quite surprised at the Chinese mistaken reports, so I must explain the truth of the trouble between Japan and China: Chan Hsiao-Liang says in an American paper that the military clash near Shanghai was caused by the Japanese soldiers, but in truth this is mistaken. I will tell you this: On the 7th of January, a Chang, Hsiao-Liang's officer, Kachukoku, ordered to fire at a Japanese armoured train guarding the railway near Kin-Chu, so the Japanese soldiers were obliged to answer firing. Thus the Chinese lawless, cruel soldiers are always provoking the Japanese garrisons. The Chinese are very unfaithful in observance of the treaties between Japan and China: For, after treaties were settled and when the Japanese officers and soldiers entered the Nankwan, the Chinese soldiers suddenly fired upon from the city wall the Japanese officers and soldiers. (Fired from the city wall upon the soldiers and officers of Japan) and two soldiers were killed on the spot. What do you think to see this fact? These ways are the Chinese, common coward, cruel and proud deeds. The Chinese are very skillful in reporting mistaken news.

For instance, the Chinese declare as if the Japanese are warlike people, but when you read the Chinese History you see the Chinese have been really a warlike nation.

(He probably refers to the Chinese histories available for study by Japanese students).

As they are very good at mistaken reports all other nations are cheated and make a mistake in judging the conflict between Japan and China. Please you remember these points.

Though Japan love the world's peace, China cannot understand it. This is very sorry for Japan. But I hope you Americans can truly understand the standing point of Japan, I am sure. Tom, let us get rid of these obscure points between each other countries, and then we can rest in peace.

Your truly and best friend, KATAO UCHIDA, Asakatho 64 Hongo, Tokyo, Japan.

As young Baker said Monday morning, the letter in many respects is the best yet received from the ardent loyalist from the land of Cherry Blossoms. What he would say after reading a digest of the world's opinion as expressed in the newspapers of this and other nations is difficult to surmise. Japan's attitude toward the League of Nations, for instance would make an interesting theme.

Uchida enclosed in his letter, a clipping from "The Tokyo Nichi" newspaper of January 15. Those who care to go into the matter more fully might get in touch with Baker.

The Japanese student evidently attempts to translate one headline which states: "Ten divisions were ordered to go to the North China against the Japanese garrison"—which reminds us of our own "war college" propaganda stories during the late World War.

CHORAL GROUP

All members of the Choral Group are urged to attend the regular weekly rehearsal on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. John Powell. Please note change of meeting hour from 4 o'clock to 3:30.

Cy Delano Dowdy Arrives

Cy Delano Dowdy arrived about 2 o'clock last Monday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dowdy. The "Cy" portion of the name probably originates from the sports preference of Daddy Dowdy, who quite obviously has ambitions for the youngster. As for the Delano, remember what happened at November 1. At any rate, Mrs. Dowdy and the baby are both in fine health.

OLD FASHIONED OR "LYE" HOMINY IS EASY TO PREPARE

That the old-fashioned home-made "lye hominy" is both a healthful and economical daily dish is the claim of Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, in recommending the "Iowa way", as follows:

Put 2 tablespoons of lye into an iron kettle, and add 1 pint of cold water; when the lye is dissolved, add 1 gallon boiling water and stir thoroughly.

Stir in 2 quarts of shelled white corn (yellow, if preferred), and bring to the boiling point in 15 or 20 minutes. Boil 20 minutes, stirring constantly. If the mixture cooks down so that the corn sticks in the kettle, add more boiling water. This will make 6 to 8 quarts of "lye hominy".

When the part of the grains that have been attached to the ear fall out when touched, the corn is ready to wash.

Remove from the stove and fill the kettle with cold water, stirring thoroughly while bringing to a boil. Drain off the water and repeat four or five times.

A churn dasher or a stick of some kind may be used to stir the hominy, as the lye will burn the hands. Continue washing until all the lower parts of the kernels have been washed out.

After the last washing, cover the corn with cold water, bring to the boiling point and boil for 3 or 4 hours. As the corn swells, add more water.

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The proposed work includes: Constructing a bridge, together with any incidental work on the State supplementary road from Morley to Heagy, the total length of the improvement being 0.017 miles.

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T. H. CUTLER, Chief Engineer.

February 21

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Loomis Mayfield as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Grover Baker as a candidate for election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Gust Zacher as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

"What is hell?" Here is the answer of one Democratic editor of Missouri: "After the Republican party workers have been shaking every fat plum tree in the land for twelve years, and have been creating new jobs and loading up departments with political workers at big salaries and fine cars, doing political stunts with never a hint at economy; when there was money for every political hack who wanted a job of State funds in every department; when extravagance was a virtue and waste credentials for promotion—and then the people drove the money squanders from the temple of the government, State and nation, and Democrats come into power, only to find that the Republicans had 'licked the platter clean' and had left no money for anything, and it was necessary to merge departments, lop off jobs and reduce salaries all along the line—that is hell for Democrats and we don't mean maybe."

The ball has opened in the Spring election for Aldermen. In the Second Ward two candidates have announced, Loomis Mayfield for re-election, and Grover Baker shies his hat in the ring for the first time. Over in the Third Ward, Gust Zacher is out for re-election with no opposition to date. Three mighty good men who are willing to give their time and talents to make their home city a better place to live.

The International Shoe Co., of St. Louis, one of the largest manufacturers of shoes for all classes of people in the world, have selected the Buckner-Ragsdale Co. of Sikeston as exclusive agents for their Star brand of shoes for men and women and boys and girls in this city. Lines are now on display in the Buckner-Ragsdale show windows. As the International Shoe Co. payroll has been Sikeston's best meal ticket for the past ten years, their shoes should be worn exclusively by all employees and the citizens generally.

Miss Hazel Lumsden of Sikeston is one of the three students out of the hundreds at Central College, Fayette, Mo., who was as near perfect in her studies as is possible. This is truly an honor and The Standard joins in congratulating this splendid young woman on her achievement.

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W. M. U. NEWS

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church will meet this coming Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mollie Harper. The Mary Reed Circle will have charge of the program, while the refreshments will be served by the Mary Webb Circle. All members of the Union are invited to be present.

Circle News

The Circles all met last Thursday afternoon. The Ann Hasselstin Circle at the home of Mrs. Tessie Lee. Regular business was transacted, after which the lesson from the book "How to Pray," was given. The next meeting of the Circle will be with Mrs. Dean Marshall.

The Mary Webb Circle met with Mrs. Miley Limbaugh, with eleven members present. All members of this Circle are requested to bring at the next meeting, quilt scraps, which will be sent to the Old Folks Home at Trenton. The program from the book "Larger Stewardships," was given by different members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Joe Mathis.

The Young Matrons' Circle held their meeting with Mrs. Van Edwards. At this time the members selected a name for their Circle, deciding on the name of Mary Reed. Miss Reed is a Missionary in a leper colony in India, twice being a leper victim. She has devoted her entire life as a Missionary. She is said to be 90 years old and now blind. Mrs. Clyde Meredith led the program from the book "Why and How of Missions." The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ernest Cox.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY

The Sikeston Royal Neighborhood will meet Friday afternoon, February 24, at the home of the Oracle, Mrs. E. D. Suchman, east of Sikeston. This will be a social meeting and all members are invited to attend.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Charles Paul, who recently underwent a major operation, is reported to be getting along fine.

Mrs. Robert Poage entered the hospital last Thursday for treatment.

Mrs. B. H. Simms of near Sikeston underwent a major operation Sunday morning. She is reported as doing very nicely.

WELLS TO DESCRIBE NATIONAL CAPITAL

"In the National Museum at Washington, D. C., there are 13 million objects and no one man has seen them all. If a person were to spend a minute on each object during each eight hour working day, it would take him 74 years to complete the job," says Varveth Wells, Continental Oil Company radio entertainer, who will devote his regular Wednesday night broadcast February 22 to the nation's capital.

An unusual feature of the program, which will be broadcast over 23 N. B. C. stations, will be the introduction of the ghost of Pierre L'Enfant, French engineer in the American Revolutionary army, who first conceived the present day arrangement of Washington's streets and buildings. Many other interesting facts concerning America's most beautiful city and its residents are included.

The Conoco program may be heard by local listener who tune in on stations KSD or KTHS Wednesday night at 9:30 o'clock.

W. W. Longmire, Monroe City's famous real estate lawyer, at tributes our widespread land ill to the meeting of two dampfools. The farm owner was a dampfool for wanting to borrow so much money on his land. The money owner was a dampfool for being willing to lend so much on it. There you are. How could you beat it?—Paris Appeal.

Dock Hooks, our tonsorial artist, says the public couldn't get along without barbers and doctors, as barbers look after the casing and the doctors the inner tubes.—Commercial Appeal.

FOR RENT—3-room apartment, not modern, \$8.00 per month.—603 Williams.—C. C. Scott. tf-41.

STRAYS—Have taken up two stray sows, one red, other spotted, weigh about 150 lbs. each. Owner can have same by paying for keep and this notice.—Fred Paul, 1 mile east of Sikeston. 3t-41.

WANTED—To buy for cash, modern 4-stamp gin complete with Fairbanks, Morse engine. State age, condition.—Wm. Harris, box 306, Earle, Ark. 2t-41.

FOR RENT—5-room house with lights.—Mrs. Jane Mills. tf-31

FOR RENT—Housekeeping rooms 805 North Kingshighway. tf-36

BOARD \$5.00 PER WEEK Mrs. J. W. (Judge) Myers South Flat in Felker Bldg. Over Miss Daisy Garden's Phone 516

News of The Town

MRS. C. M. HARRIS, Phone 551

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Comer, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Porter, Mrs. Anna Coffin, Mrs. Maudie Wicks and Mrs. Beulah Howe were among those who attended the revival meeting at Morehouse Sunday afternoon which is being conducted in the Methodist church by Rev. G. P. Comer, evangelist.

A delegation of twenty members of the local Baptist church attended the revival meeting at Blodgett last Thursday night is being conducted by Rev. L. H. Maples of this city. Among the group was the sextet from the local church which furnished a special vocal number.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith and daughter, Shirley Jean, spent Sunday near Poplar Bluff with the former's brother, Press Smith and family, while Misses Vernetta and Mary Ethel Smith visited Misses Dorothy and Marjorie Bennett in Poplar Bluff.

Are you aware that in the course of one year the balance of your watch makes 157,680,000 revolutions? Have you had your watch cleaned in the last two or three years?—Joe Sidwell

The W. B. A. Westway Club will meet Thursday night with Mrs. Elmos Taylor. All members are invited to be present.

The Friendship Circle of the Woman's Benefit Association met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Lon Swanner. Fifteen were present to enjoy the Washington Day program. Games in keeping with occasion were played. Mrs. Jno. Cox won the prize in authors on Patriotic Quotations, while the lot to prize went to Mrs. Nora Shannon. The color scheme was car-

WHO WAS GOVERNOR WHEN YOU WERE BORN?

The new editor of the Blue Book, Doug Meng, well known Missouri newspaper editor and columnist, has such a fund of interesting information that the next issue of the manual will probably be the most valuable edition ever published. Newspaper editors everywhere agree that it is the most valuable book upon their desks and Mr. Meng himself believes that with a Blue Book and a World Almanac anybody could make a good newspaper. No library is complete without it.

It has been, without doubt, the most popular book of the year 1932. Volumes that have stood on the shelf in all the glory of their blue and gold have become dog-eared and thumb-marked by Missouri Democracy, eager to locate the most delectable job available for them among its lists of employees and department heads.

Recently in Jefferson City, Mr. Meng called attention to the fact that there is no governor or lieutenant governor of this State living, and that all elected since that date are living. The surviving governors are Elliott W. Major, St. Louis, elected in 1912; Frederick D. Gardner, St. Louis, 1916; Arthur M. Hyde, now Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., 1920; Sam A. Baker, Jefferson City, 1924; Henry S. Caulfield, St. Louis, 1928; Guy B. Park, Platte City, 1932.

William R. Painter, Carrollton, is dean of the living lieutenant-governors having served with Major in 1912. Then followed Wallace Crossley, Warrensburg, 1916; Hiram Lloyd, St. Louis, 1920; Phil Bennett, Springfield, 1924; Edward H. Winter, Jefferson City, 1928; Frank G. Harris, Columbia, 1932.

The following list, which dates back to colonial days, will supply our readers with the names for their scrap books:

St. Angelo, 1761; Don Pedro Piernas, 1771; Don Francisco, 1776; Don Fernando de Leyba, 1779; Don Manuel Pierez, 1781; Don Renon Trubeau, 1785; Don Carlos D'hault Delassus, 1799; General James Wilkerson, 1804; Merriweather Lewis, Samuel Hammond, 1809; Benjamin Howard and William Clark, 1814; the last of the territorial governors.

Alexander McNair, 1820, was first governor after Missouri became a State, then followed Fred-

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ried out in the refreshments. The Circle will meet next time with Mrs. Stella Moll on William St.

Mrs. L. J. Langley and children are visiting relatives in Piggott, Ark., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rodman of Jefferson City, who visited several days last week here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kendall, left last Saturday for a two weeks' vacation at Bradenton, Fla. Miss Tylen Kendall accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Langley returned last Wednesday night from Piggott, Ark., where they had visited.

They were accompanied home by Mrs. Langley's father, J. C. Lewis, who remained here until Saturday afternoon.

Miss Lillian Feltner, who attends school at Cape Girardeau, spent Sunday and Monday here with homefolks. Mrs. Feltner accompanied her daughter to the Cape Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pilaot of Cape Girardeau visited Sunday afternoon at the P. H. Stevenson home.

P. H. Stevenson, City Clerk who has been absent from his duties the past three weeks on account of sickness, was able to be out for the first time Monday. Mr. Stevenson is improving and it is tho't will soon be back at his post of duty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Marshall and daughters were Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday afternoon.

The Intermediate Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church will not meet tonight, the meeting being postponed on account of the basketball tournament. There will be no meeting until the regular time, Tuesday evening, March 7.

Several of our women called on the new lady that has moved into the neighborhood on the Gander Creek road, and after checking up on her they couldn't find much fault, except that she brags on her husband too much.—Commercial Appeal.

The grocer at Tickville says the moving picture business sure has interfered with his enjoyment, as he used to get into all the real shows at the opera house by furnishing barrel staves to the comedians.—Commercial Appeal.

The fellow who does just enough to get by never earns enough to buy much.

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McDOWELL REDISTRICTING BILL FINDS FAVOR WITH LAW MAKERS IN SESSION

Amid an avalanche of proposed redistricting bills coming before the Missouri Senate during the present session, it is more than probable that Senator J. C. McDowell of Charleston, will emerge as the author of the law that will distribute the political complexion of the State.

This industrious Senator has rapidly, but none the less effectively, drawn around him a support capable of over-coming many legislative obstacles. For this reason he has been chosen to lead the redistricting program that at this time appears more than likely to induce the most general approbation of the Senate.

For Southeast Missouri it is doubtful if a more desirable plan could be brought forth than the one proposed. As introduced in the Senate, it would place in the Tenth District that section of Missouri properly belonging to the Southeast area, a total of ten counties with a population of 253,000. This district which would be known as the "Tenth" could comprise the following counties: Pemiscot, Dunklin, New Madrid, Mississippi, Scott, Stoddard, Butler, Ripley, Bollinger and Cape Girardeau.

The Eighth District comprised largely of what was heretofore the Thirteenth District, would have a total of eighteen counties, and the majority of the old district is represented in Congress by Clyde Williams of Hillsboro.

This district would extend to St. Louis on the North, down the Mississippi River including Perry, dividing Madison and Bollinger, Wayne and Stoddard, Carter and Butler, taking in Oregon on the South, Shannon, Texas and Laclede on the Southwest, and Pulaske, Phelps, Crawford, Washington and Jefferson on the North. The population of this district would be 253,700, which by the law of averages as computed through three normal election years would deliver a Democratic majority of 4690.

The Democratic majority of the Tenth District as computed by the law of averages of several election years would be 4611, allowing both districts to revert to the other political party in times of general stress and economic unrest.

McDowell says that this is a fair and equitable distribution of both area and population and bears less of the ear marks of gerrymandering than most bills being introduced in the current session of the Senate. "The two Congressmen that will be selected from these two districts," says McDowell, "would have, in the main the same interests in most national legislation affecting the Southeast Missouri area. Especially would this be true in matters of flood and river legislation as well as agricultural tax matters. It will be noted that the two districts comprise all of that land directly drained by the Mississippi River from St. Louis County to the Arkansas line. In these two districts there are a total of eight counties

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While the taciturn McDowell freely admits that this bill offers a decided advantage to those of his own political faith, he also contends that there are other major considerations that will make it favorable to all Missouri. Not many actual changes have been made in the two districts between the new and the old boundary which hemmed in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Districts. Laclede and Pulaske have been added on the Northwest to the Eighth that are not in the old Thirteenth, while Oregon on the South, a strong Democratic county, has been added to the Eighth, which was formerly in the old Fourteenth. Six counties on the West, all of minor population, have been taken from the old Fourteenth and put in the newly created Seventh. These are Howell, Ozark, Douglas, Christian, Taney and Stone. For many years this group of counties has contributed a balance of power in the Fourteenth District in that for the most part they have been Republican in political complexion.

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For a baby member the lanky Southeast Missourian is rapidly assuming proportions that bid fair to make him in a few years a political personage to be reckoned with in Missouri Pow-wows.

EGG LAYING DERBY TO BE WORLD'S FAIR FEATURE

Chicago, February 18.—An egg-laying derby in which hens from all parts of the United States and from foreign lands will compete for honors will be one of the features of Chicago's 1933 World's Fair—A Century of Progress Exposition.

Champion hens from twenty-eight States of the Union, the Dominion of Canada, and four nations abroad have already been entered. This contest, the first ever to be held in connection with a world's fair, is sponsored by the National Poultry Council.

The egg-laying contest will last for six months. The birds will be housed in the exhibit the first week in April. The actual egg-counting will begin May 1, or one month before the formal opening of the Exposition. It will end October 29, two days prior to the closing of the Fair.

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THE EDITOR SAYS—

It looks like the Devil is riding with the other Horsemen of the Apocalypse as the world is in a turmoil that will be years in getting back to normal, if ever. Riots, uprisings, murder, assassinations, strikes, criminal attacks, robbery, petty cussedness, lack of confidence in banks and mankind generally. God fearing men and women seem to be in the minority. What is to be done is the question.

There should be something done to improve the banking laws of the United States to make depositors' money safe and regain confidence in banks. Reports show there has been but one bank failure in 430 years in China, for this four of the bank employees were beheaded. In Canada, our neighbor to the north, but one bank failure in 200 years. No wonder postal savings accounts are mounting to millions that should be deposited in banks. Whoever heard of a bank examiner finding anything wrong in a bank until it closed its doors? The week after an examination is made and report is sent to headquarters saying the bank is in good condition, the doors are closed. It is then the examiner finds something is wrong. So why an examiner at all? Most banks in small communities that are forced to close are caused by frozen loans that cannot be realized on in an emergency. Crookedness has caused many large financial institutions to close their doors. It is a hard proposition.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, writing from Corpus Christi, Texas, says: "Attached find two fifty for my Standard. The Essential Reading Material of this Family", though I can hardly say how good the last issue is, as these Sikestonian guests of ours scrambled over it, snatched it and held on. You would think they had been away a year! We are wishing you were here to see and eat the wonderful trout being caught. Actually saw sixty-one trout on one string, caught by one man yesterday, aside from the bushel baskets and tubs full everywhere.

They are, the Buchanans, Mrs. Rhodes and Mrs. Marshall, going to the Valley and 'Old Mexico', next week. No telling what tale they'll have on their return! Really, this is the truth about the fishing, even if it doesn't sound it."

This is not going to sound good to some, but this is no time for sentiment. Hundreds of young men and women have struggled to get sufficient education to teach school and be self supporting. Too many married women are given preference to school positions when their husbands should support them and let them stay at home and be the queen of the household. While conditions are so upset why not give these single girls a chance to make a living and let the married women remain at home. Married women may be better teachers, still, let their husbands support them and give the unmarried a chance. This is not personal.

Two women talking about the terrible run, and when it started in a small way ended disastrously. A panicky business man over-hearing them became excited thinking they were talking of a bank run when it was the run in a silk stocking.

This Monday morning is beautiful. The sun shines bright and is calculated to put life into everyone and everything. One more week of February then comes March—a month of changeable weather. Anytime, it is now time to get prices on painting and papering, on spading the garden and fixing the lawn and flower beds. Plenty of help is to be had and every dollar spent now for improving your property will furnish food for some family. Honest work is what every able bodied person desires instead of charity. Get busy and help your property and help some family.

Unsettled business conditions throughout the land has curtailed credit for the working man as well as the business man. No wholesale house cares to overload the retail firm who sells on credit, and the retail merchant hesitates to sell a customer on time for fear collections will be slow and he cannot meet his bills. So it goes. If you are accorded credit, pay promptly, or do without. The man of family is bound to keep his credit good or go hungry for his credit soon runs out.

Every once in a while you hear of someone getting too big for their britches. This holds good with both men and women. Whenever a person thinks no one can fit their place in business they just make a bad mistake.

Charge of Embezzlement Filed Against Cashier of Closed Bank of Senath

Senath, Mo., February 17.—William H. Hutchins, cashier of the closed Citizen's Bank of Senath, was arrested here last night and lodged in jail at Kennett, at the direction of Prosecuting Attorney Elbert Ford, who said he would place a formal charge of embezzlement against the cashier. He was released on bond of \$10,000 today.

Cashier Hutchins did not sleep in the Dunklin County jail. At 1 a. m., accompanied by Constable J. O. Williams, he began a tour of his friends to obtain signers on a \$10,000 bond which the Constable approved about daybreak, when he released Hutchins, who promised to bring in more signers today. The first signers included Garfield Wilson, merchant and president of the School Board, and Henry S. Jones, director of the bank.

The arrest of Hutchins followed a conference of the prosecuting attorney and directors of the bank at which the directors asserted Hutchins had used \$11,000 of the bank's funds without authority of the board and had put his personal note in the bank for that amount after the bank had been closed.

Auditors at work on the bank's books and accounts of the Senath school district reported yesterday to Prosecuting Attorney Ford that Delmar G. Doherty, assistant cashier, who disappeared January 25, a few days before the bank closed, was short more than \$10,000 in the bank funds and \$19,200 as treasurer of the school district. The prosecuting attorney announced he also had learned of another discrepancy of about \$10,000 in the bank accounts and that the auditors have not yet determined who is responsible for this. A warrant charging embezzlement has been issued against Doherty.

G. W. Krone, president of the bank, which had total deposits of \$80,000, told the prosecuting attorney the bank would claim insurance to cover any losses charged against Hutchins and Doherty, and that if recoveries were made from the surety company on the bonds of the two men, it was probable the bank could be reorganized and reopened at an early date.

Hutchins previously had reported a lone masked robber had held him up in the bank after banking hours the afternoon of January 26 and had stolen \$16,000 in currency. President Krone has made a claim for this amount under burglary insurance carried by the bank.

Doherty, the missing assistant cashier, has not been heard from since his disappearance three weeks ago. Officials of the school district and directors of the bank said Doherty had a trading account with a Memphis investment broker and that some of the school district funds had been traced to that concern in remittances made by Doherty.

Hutchins and Doherty, both in their early thirties, have been connected with the bank since boyhood. Hutchins told the directors and this correspondent that he used the bank's funds for his unsuccessful campaign last August for the Democratic nomination for county treasurer, but asserted a majority of the directors had approved what he termed "the loans" for this purpose.

One Hundred School Men Meet Here to Discuss Pending Legislation

About one hundred school superintendents, principals, County Superintendents and board members from the surrounding five-county area met in the Sikeston high school auditorium Saturday morning to discuss and consider legislation pending before the Missouri State Legislature.

The school men went on record as favoring an additional tax on tobacco, and upon electricity and gas. The approved, also, a more equitable average tax rate for railroads and utilities. Those present expressed opposition to legislation dealing with the elimination of high school inspectors, and with the adoption of uniform text books in the State.

A committee representing each of the five counties met with Senator J. C. McDowell at Charleston Saturday night at 7 o'clock, and personally requested his assistance. Members of the committee included R. V. Ellis, local school superintendent; A. D. Simpson of Charleston; Ray Lucas and Steve Barton of Benton; Fred Miller and a school board member of Dexter; H. S. Jones of Caruthersville and Ralph McCullough of New Madrid.

Arsonist Frustrated By Lone Fireman Thursday

The fact that one member of the Sikeston Fire Department happened to live in the neighborhood probably saved a residence from destruction about 12:30 o'clock last Thursday night. A home on Vernon avenue, one block east of North Ranney street, occupied until ten days ago by Mrs. Fannie Mathis, was fired by an arsonist who used kerosene and wadded newspapers placed in a gable of the house. The back door and several windows were left open to allow a good draft.

A noisy Model T Ford, which clattered into the alley in back of O. T. Elder's home on North Ranney, awakened this fireman. He got up, went to the front door, but soon retired again when he failed to notice the car. About twenty minutes later, Elder again heard the machine. This time he was certain that he had pulled into the alley in back of his garage, because lights from the machine flitted across the walls of his room as the driver backed out of the alley. A fire call came in at this time by telephone. He arose again, and this time happened to glance out of the front door. A block away he noticed flames licking out of the roof of a dwelling.

With the assistance of two men who arrived at the scene of the fire, and who assisted by handing buckets of water to a porch roof, Elder was able to extinguish the blaze in short order.

Firemen in the meantime had made a false run to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews, and arrived at the O. T. Elder home after the fire had been extinguished. One of the boys noticed Elder's signals from the Vernon street house, and the fire crew returned home.

The Vernon street residence was struck by lightning in the Fall of 1930 or Spring of 1931, and partially burned. It was subsequently rebuilt.

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Two wild turkeys from the Ozarks region were recently taken before a committee of the Missouri legislature. The birds were used as exhibits to help explain certain factors in new game-preservation legislation. Wonder what these turkeys thought of the other birds.

On every hand you hear complaints of those hard pressed for cash about being unable to borrow. Our banks and loan companies are filled to the brim with cash just as our granaries are overflowing with wheat, yet people are starving and others are losing their holdings because they are unable to borrow. While we sympathize with every home owner who is about to be foreclosed, what is there in the actions of those who conspire to prevent creditors from lawfully collecting their loans on real estate and personal property, to cause the wealthy to risk their cash on future loans of this class. We believe those who conspire are defeating the very aims which they seek to achieve. Certainly a bank would not risk the funds of its depositors on farm loans in a locality where residents would conspire unlawfully to prevent it from collecting these loans.—Jackson Cash Book.

How much is a reputation worth? It is too bad that people cannot understand its value early enough to make it one of their assets. Recently we were asked by the influential head of a big organization about a certain acquaintance who had applied for a responsible position. We were asked if the applicant was honest and reliable. Ability counts for little in a position of a trust, it seems, unless honesty and reliability are included in a person's reputation. Too often this is not discovered until no matter how well an individual lives, his past reputation pulls him down to a point from which he cannot ascend.—Shebina Democrat.

Uncle Sam will keep all his fighting ships on the Pacific side of the country for at least one more year. This is wise. It seems that war with Japan is only the question of time, however much we may desire to avoid it. Japan strikes without warning. She ignores all the established preliminaries of open warfare. Her victory over Russia, it will be remembered, was made possible by sudden destruction of the Russian fleet when a state of war did not exist. Our fleet will meet the same fate unless the utmost vigilance is maintained on the Pacific coast. Weakened by sending part of the ships back to the Atlantic. Loss of naval supremacy would mean loss of the Philippines and Hawaii, with costly raids along our coasts. We must take no chances on Japan.—Paris Appeal.

Another trouble with the times is the universal demand that everything—farm products, manufactured goods, labor, etc.—be sold at ruinous prices. No matter how little a farmer may ask for a ham or a merchant may charge for a sack of flour, the customer makes a speech about everything else coming down and insists on a much lower price. No wonder times continue to stay bad. They will never get any better until city people and country people are willing to buy each other's products on a business basis.—Paris Appeal.

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They Say—Says The 2nd About Town

By ART L. WALLHAUSEN

"To forget your troubles scratch in the soil" such is the advice of the directors of the National Yard and Garden Contest.

Those who must of necessity limit their soil scratching to a window box, will miss some of the thrills of gardening, of running the neighbor's chickens back over the fence, and of seeing the tiny sprouts push through the earth. But there is no excuse for not having a garden on every vacant lot in the city, back of every home, and on each and every farm within a ten-mile radius of Skeston. Seeds are cheap, cotton hulls for fertilizer can be had almost for the asking, and the ground in 39 cases out of 100 is available. All it takes is a little PUSH of which there seems to be a scarcity.

It is a damnsite easier to sit on the curb at the Trust Company corner and cuss the government, The Standard, the County Court, or your landlord, than it is to hoe a pea patch.

But when beans are handy next winter when frogskins are as scarce as frogs in an icepack on the Mississippi.

Will there be WAR with Japan and the United States next April? A Skeston student of history declares as much. Incidentally, we would like to have Prof. Mahew's brilliant history students look up the dates of the BEGINNING of each war starting with the Revolution, and coming down through the Civil conflict, the War of 1812, the Spanish-American War, Mexican disturbance and the late World War.

Mahew is right. Occasionally the writer is quoted as authority? ? ? on some statement or other, mostly for the sake of an argument, and the reply usually is "Aw that guy has bats in the belfry" or words to that effect.

Not long ago we entered into a discussion with a fond mam over the "new school" of child psychology. "Never correct a child," and "let the little darlings express their individuality" were two plattitudes in particular that stuck in the editorial craw.

At present we have no children to speak of, but in our experience we have noticed several of those "little darlings" who were never corrected, and who always expressed their individuality. We recall a half dozen who are now in the house of correction, and others who will soon be there unless some smart lawyers takes the case.

In our humble, bachelor opinion when the young hopeful is squawling the loudest in his assertions of individuality, frinstance "WAA, WAAAAA, I wanna apple", we would dutifully make a bee line for the orchard, and like as not we would return with part of a tree—but it would not be an apple.

Said part of the tree with largest knots whittled away would be applied firmly and studiously to that part of the anatomy "twixt said individualist and his high chair".

Judge Cope last Wednesday appeared before a meeting of Southeast Missouri peace officers.

"Now you fellows have met here to study crime, criminals and treatment", he said in effect. "Go home, but don't go home with the idea of catching criminals with long gray beards, false faces, and paunchy stomachs. Look for kids from 9 to 19 years old. They are the ones who daily and weekly file past the bench, and they are the ones who are just now clattering up the jails, the houses of correction, and the penitentiaries."

"Most of them were not taught to respect parents, law, God, man or the Devil in their youth". Put that in their cranial file.

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DAY BY DAY WITH GOVERNOR PATTERSON

We are never prepared for cold weather in this climate and the result is that when it does come, we seem to suffer more than in northern latitudes, where snow and freezing temperatures are expected, and provision is made against their rigors.

I would not venture to say with any definition what our past winters were like, because there are always records to bob up unexpectedly to prove the facts contrary to one's memory, but the past winter and the one now on hand are enough to demonstrate that we can have brands of weather that range from balmy spring to snow and ice, and from snow and ice back to spring with sufficient suddenness to please any one looking for thrills in the weather.

Already we have had two definite beginnings of spring, followed by periods of heavy ice and snow which obliterated all the signs of the earth's rejuvenation, and last year the same phenomenon occurred. In the early part of 1932 fruit trees were the special sufferers from the intense cold that followed the earth's awakening. The peach crop was a total failure, as icy fingers gripped the swelling buds and touched with death the blossoms that knew no better than to flaunt their beauty too early and fall the innocent victims of the winter's blast.

On my place in the country not only were the peach buds and blossoms all killed, but 15 flourishing pear trees that I had selected and planted with care.

Some of these had reached bearing age, having grown to the height of 10 or 12 feet and every one of these with the smaller trees were frozen, and stood in their places in the earth with their limbs and trunks blackened and dead through and through.

This year the peach trees were not so far advanced when the last cold spell seized upon them, and just how much these and other trees in the locality have been injured it may be too early to say. They have not been done any good. That much is certain and my idea is that the crop will be negligible.

Before we had that wonderful exhibition of sleet and ice festooning the trees and shrubs with never to be forgotten silvery laces and crystals, causing such heavy damage to vegetation whose fibre was not strong enough to resist, the grass was springing up in the parks, field daisies were showing their timid heads and dandelions were blooming at the feet, but they were all sent back to their dark

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cells in the earth, and for a time thereafter spring gave no sign of another advent. It doesn't take long, though, for Spring to try again. Rebuffed, a week or two of warm weather will encourage her for another start, and this was made, only to have all her fresh and pretty evidences again destroyed when the cold wave just passed rode down from the north with its bitter, blasting breath.

I visited my place in the country and everything visible of Spring had disappeared. The violets that were in bloom in the garden were the pictures of despair, hollyhock that had made considerable growth were a mass of frozen, disconsolate green, the tulips and other flowering bulbs that had shot up out of the earth with a few of them already in bloom appeared a pale, sickly white, as if ashamed of having been so cruelly received, and the forsythia bushes in their yellow robes look crushed and forsaken. A beautiful ribbon of watercress growing in a spring branch was frozen and covered in ice. The chickens looked sad and the cows disconsolate.

So far as I could tell all the rose bushes which had been carefully trimmed were frozen to the ground. How far underneath I do not know.

Any kind of weather they say is good weather, because it is all we have, and we might say this also of the times, but neither weather nor the times are exactly to our liking, though apparently we can do little about either.—Commercial Appeal.

180-POUND SHEEP NETS ITS OWNER 72 CENTS

Pittsfield, Ill., February 16.—A 180-pound sheep today brought its owner, P. R. Hammerton of Detroit, Ill., a purchase price of 72 cents.

That was the amount of the check the sheep raiser received after shipping the animal to the St. Louis market by truck and meeting yardage and commission charges.

Dean Ellis of East Pittsfield told a story similar in tone today. He took a calf hide to market yesterday and failing a fair offer for it, succeeded in exchanging it for six loaves of bread and 5 cents to boot.

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SCOTT COUNTY AND STATE LIVESTOCK CENSUS

Livestock and chickens on farms in Scott County total as follows: 1530 horses, 4420 mules, 3340 milk cows, 3180 other cattle, 26,100 hogs, 1090 sheep, and 74,670 chickens, according to latest estimates of E. A. Logan of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, as of the first day of January, 1933.

Missouri farms have 551,000 horses, compared with 574,000 one year ago—a reduction of 4 per cent. Missouri mules are 288,000 against 291,000 one year ago—being only 1 per cent reduction.

Missouri cattle of all kinds are 2,664,000 head, against 2,660,000 last year, and 2,542,000 two years ago.

Milk cows total 1,040,000 or 1 per cent above the 1,030,000 in 1932, and 5 per cent above the 989,000 in 1931.

Other cattle of beef type are 1,624,000 head, the largest since 1924.

Hogs on Missouri farms total 4,390,000, the greatest number since 1924 with 4,860,000 head. The increase over 1932 is 7 per cent.

Missouri sheep on farms are 1,195,000, a reduction of 2.5 per cent from the 1,225,000 a year ago and 1,204,000 on farms two years ago.

Chickens total 25,182,000 on farms, compared to 24,449,000 last year—3 per cent increase.

Livestock in the U. S. A. Condensed for ready reference and quick reading, the following are the livestock "populations" of the United States, as of the first day of this year of 1933:

Total horses, 12,163,000, valued \$658,684,000, compared with 12,641,000 with \$74,611,000 valuation. Mules are 4,981,000 at \$300,391,000, against 5,089,000 at \$308,617,000 last year. Cattle, 65,129,000

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this year, and \$2,656,000 for 1932. Value now \$1,297,828,000, against \$1,668,742,000 for last year. Hogs, 60,176,000, value \$732,749,000 now, and 59,078,000 at \$986,274,000 for 1932. Sheep on farms, 51,630,000, value \$149,544,000, against 53,321,000 at \$181,051,000 in January, 1932.

HEALTH CARDS ISSUED FOR CHARLESTON KIDDIES

Charleston, February 17.—Miss Elsie Barnes, County Health Nurse, has announced that the following children of Eugene Field School will be awarded Health cards:

Nine Point Children—Breckie and Bobbie Crowe, Jack Garson, Collier Courtway, Beth Jennings, Rosemary Putnam and Ruth Crosson.

Six Point Children—Jack Hall, Carl Parks, Virginia Marshall, Marian Crosno, Nanette Marshall, Geraldine Monroe, Jack Brown, Helen Lovelace, Betty Sue Davis, Robert Frasier, Jane Hequemburg, Freddie Dark, Dorothy Fay Moore, David Lair and Paul Tanner.

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KIRK ATTENDS SCOUT MEETING IN MALDEN

Hon. George W. Kirk of Charleston, District President of Boy Scouts of Southeast Missouri, and Thos. Arthur of Charleston were visitors in Malden Tuesday evening, where they attended a banquet given for Scouts in the dining room of the Methodist church. A very interesting program was rendered. Music for the evening was furnished by a double quartette of high school students. Boy Scouts served the menu.

ENGINEER CHECKS WEAR ON MUNY PLANT MOTORS

L. H. Higgins, factory representative and engineer from the Fairbanks, Morse & Co., plant is engaged in making a general inspection of the municipal electric plant, covering cylinder and bearing wear, general lubrication efficiency and checking other adjustments. The inspection is made annually.

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Co-Workers Benefit Show To Be Given February 21

The benefit picture show to be given at Malone Theatre Tuesday night, February 21, will be sponsored by the Co-Workers of the Methodist church. The picture, "Fast Life", starring William Haines, will be shown. A program will be given in connection with the picture as follows: Musical selections by the choir of the Methodist Church, a male quartet composed of Oscar Carroll, Wilbur Ensor, H. A. Bach and Harry Dover will sing "Southern Melody", by Parks; a string ensemble, composed of Frederic Claiborne, Daniel Malone, Mrs. Harvey Johnson, Mrs. I. L. Parrett, and Wootson Hollingsworth will play, "Spanish Dance", by Moskowski. Mrs. H. J. Welsh will be the accompanist. "Sympathy", from the musical comedy "Firefly" by Friml, will be given by twenty-two voices.

Matinee Wednesday, 3 P. M.

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News of the Town

By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Watson are now residing in the Tom Meyer property on North Prairie avenue, having moved there the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Carpenter of Chicago, Ill., came last Friday. Mr. Carpenter left Saturday for Chicago, while Mrs. Carpenter remained here for a longer visit with her sister, Mrs. Dal Harnes, and family.

Mrs. Jesse Cramer of Caruthersville spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Meyer.

Virgil Harnes, Misses Dalma Harnes and Maxine Pearman of Blodgett were visitors in Farmington, Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lankford and children returned Sunday afternoon from Memphis, Tenn., where they spent the week-end with Mrs. Lankford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Walker.

Mrs. E. M. Leech, who has been seriously ill the past two weeks, is reported this Monday morning as slowly improving.

Miss Eva Ward of Clinton, Ky., was the week-end guest of Mrs. Robert Law.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. E. McAmus, who reside in the Raymond Marshall property on North Kingshighway, are planning to move about the first of the month to the Mrs. John Walker home on Dorothy Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Agee and children moved Monday to a farm north of Sikeston.

Jim Law was a business visitor in Dexter last Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sanders and daughters and Miss Inez Pugh of Poplar Bluff spent Sunday in Sikeston. Mrs. Sanders and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Proffer, while Miss Pugh visited Mrs. Jack Johnson.

Miss Marian McKee, a teacher in the Diehlstadt school, spent last week-end in Sikeston, the guest of her sister, Miss Dorothy McKee.

Miss Myra Tanner spent from Friday until Sunday in Cape Girardeau, the guest of Mrs. Harold Hebbeler.

Arnold Roth of Cape Girardeau was a Sikeston visitor, Sunday. Supt. Roy V. Ellis was a business visitor in Charleston last Saturday evening. He was accompanied to that place by Misses Dorothy McKee and Ruth Evans and Mrs. Moore Greer. Misses McKee and Evans visited with friends, while Mrs. Greer visited with her mother, Mrs. W. T. Marshall.

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Miss Hyacinth Sheppard spent Saturday night and Sunday in Jackson, the guest of Miss "Pats" Gockel.

DeLisle Heiser left Monday morning for Jefferson City, where he has a position with the Western Union.

Mrs. A. A. Mayfield and Mrs. Murray Klein were Cape Girardeau visitors last Saturday afternoon.

Harold Cope of Blodgett was in Sikeston Sunday.

A Colonial party will be enjoyed by the Eastern Star members at its meeting Thursday evening. The Sikeston lodge has been invited to be guests of the Dexter O. E. S. Friday night of this week.

Miss Nell Yanson entertained Monday evening with a dinner-bridge party at her home on Gladys street.

Miss Wootsen Hollingsworth spent last week-end at Bertrand, the guest of Miss Julia Fennimore.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mitchell and children accompanied Mrs. Jennie Mitchell to Cape Girardeau Sunday afternoon, where she will visit during this week with her sister, Mrs. R. S. Rutledge.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen of Blytheville, Ark., spent Sunday in Sikeston.

Tharon Stallings and P. D. Malone were week-end visitors in Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Medley of Campbell spent the week-end here with their son, Durce Medley, and Mrs. Medley.

Abbie Storey, Bob Davis and Joe Ellis of Charleston were Sikeston visitors Saturday night.

Miss Lena Matthews and Lucille Finley were in Cape Girardeau last Saturday.

Grady Davis spent the week-end in St. Louis visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bess went to Yount, Mo., Monday, where Mrs. Bess will spend this week, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Newman and baby and Gene Tucker and baby of Cananda were dinner guests last Friday evening of Miss Maud Adams.

The Girls Scout Club met last Saturday afternoon with Esther Jane Greer. During the business session, new officers were elected.

The Club meets each week. Next Saturday they will meet with Patricia Blanton.

Mrs. Nathan Yoffie and children and maid, on last Friday, moved to an apartment in Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Yoffie and children have been in that city the past two weeks, where the daughter underwent an operation for double mastoids, at a hospital there.

She was able to leave the hospital last Friday, but will have to remain there for further treatments. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Topper and son are at the Yoffie home during Mrs. Yoffie's absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Garrett were called to Murphysboro, Ill., last Thursday, on account of the death of their son, Paul Garrett. All the details that could be learned was that Mr. Garrett had been to St. Louis and was on his return trip home, when his car was hit by a train about 20 miles from Belleville, last Wednesday night.

His car was demolished and body not discovered until next morning. He is survived besides his parents, by his wife and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. David Lumsden visited in Cape Girardeau Saturday. Mrs. Lumsden visited her mother while David attended to some business.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lumsden of Matthews were dinner guests of the David Lumsden family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Stearns and daughters, Doris, Ruth and Betty Ann of Libourn spent Sunday here with Mrs. Stearns' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell.

A calf mysteriously disappeared from Musket Ridge one day this week, and the owner was here looking for it. He was in the postoffice making close inquiry about it, but the postmaster declared so far as he knew there hadn't been a calf in the postoffice this year.—Commercial Appeal.

Sales Record for Past 54 Months Is Announced

Dayton, Ohio, January 3, 1933.—A record of achievement which is possibly without parallel in business history was revealed here today when officials of the Sargen Laboratories, Inc., reported that fifty-four months ago their medicines, Sargen and Sargon Soft Mass Pills, were first placed on the market, and that up to date \$4,417,428 packages of these two medicines have been sold.

In explanation of this truly remarkable record Mr. J. J. Gibson, secretary of the Company, said: "We spent two years' time and a considerable fortune in developing these medicines before they were placed on the market, and we had good reason to believe that as soon as the public became acquainted with their effects there would be a very large demand for them. This is what seems to have happened during the past fifty-four months."

"As evidence of this," he continued, "thousands upon thousands of individual endorsements have literally poured in from all parts of the country, and we are shipping our medicines throughout the United States, Canada, and Hawaiian Islands, Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, Cuba, Jamaica, and several Central American countries. Only yesterday we received an order from Nice, France. Indeed a large part of our business comes from sections where our advertising has never appeared. This indicates that people who use our medicines are writing or telling their friends about them."

When asked for a brief statement of what effects Sargen and Sargon Pills have on persons who take them Mr. Gibson replied, "These are new medicines and they actually accomplish many things which the old remedies were supposed to do. For instance, it is now conceded by the medical profession that calomel and other laxative drugs have no effect whatever on the liver. Our medicines actually stimulate the liver to cleanse itself by increasing its production of bile. Sargen and Sargon Soft Mass Pills also promote general glandular activity; build up the red blood cells, and correct the most prevalent cause of indigestion and constipation and the many ailments resulting from these disorders."

Chinese Are Lawless, Cruel, Aggressive Says Letter From Japanese to Tom Baker

The other side of the picture is given by a loyal Japanese student, Katao Uchida, several times quoted in these columns, in another letter to Tom Baker, local high school student, who for nearly a year has been in correspondence with a fellow student in Japan. The last letter was written "1933, January 29", to write in the fashion of Uchida, and was received by Baker last week.

If what Uchida says is true, the world has sadly misjudged the Japanese. It is barely possible, however, that the young man has a slightly biased viewpoint, due to certain factors known as strict censorship, control of the press, and an educational system which teaches, as all educational systems teach in time of war, only these facts and factors which substantiate the patriotic viewpoint. By reading between the lines of Uchida's last letter it is easy to see how war hatreds are kept aflame.

The letter:

Dear Tom: 1933, 1, 29

I beg your pardon for not having sent a letter to you; for I had caught a cold and had a slight headache. But I am now in good health. When I read an American paper sent from you I was quite surprised at the Chinese mistaken reports, so I must explain the truth of the trouble between Japan and China: Chan Hsiao-Liang says in an American paper that the military clash near Shanghai was caused by the Japanese soldiers, but in truth this is mistaken. I will tell you this: On the 7th of January, a Chang, Hsiao-Liang's officer, Kachukoku, ordered to fire at a Japanese armoured train guarding the railway near Kin-Chu, so the Japanese soldiers were obliged to answer firing. Thus the Chinese lawless, cruel soldiers are always provoking the Japanese garrisons. The Chinese are very unfaithful in observance of the treaties between Japan and China: For, after treaties were settled and when the Japanese officers and soldiers entered the Nankwan, the Chinese soldiers suddenly fired upon from the city wall the Japanese officers and soldiers. (Fired from the city wall upon the soldiers and officers of Japan) and two soldiers were killed on the spot. What do you think to see this fact? These ways are the Chinese, common coward, cruel and proud deeds. The Chinese are very skillful in reporting mistaken news.

For instance, the Chinese declare as if the Japanese are warlike people, but when you read the Chinese History you see the Chinese have been really a warlike nation.

(He probably refers to the Chinese histories available for study by Japanese students).

As they are very good at mistaken reports all other nations are cheated and make a mistake in judging the conflict between Japan and China. Please you remember these points.

Though Japan love the world's peace, China cannot understand it. This is very sorry for Japan. But I hope you Americans can truly understand the standing point of Japan, I am sure. Tom, let us get rid of these obscure points between each other countries, and then we can rest in peace.

Your truly and best friend, KATAO UCHIDA, Asakatho 64 Hongo, Tokyo, Japan.

As young Baker said Monday morning, the letter in many respects is the best yet received from the ardent loyalist from the land of Cherry Blossoms. What he would say after reading a digest of the world's opinion as expressed in the newspapers of this and other nations is difficult to surmise. Japan's attitude toward the League of Nations, for instance would make an interesting theme.

Uchida enclosed in his letter, a clipping from "The Tokky Nichi" newspaper of January 15. Those who care to go into the matter more fully might get in touch with Baker.

The Japanese student evidently attempts to translate one headline which states: "Ten divisions were ordered to go to the North China against the Japanese garrison"—which reminds us of our own "war college" propaganda stories during the late World War.

CHORAL GROUP

All members of the Choral Group are urged to attend the regular weekly rehearsal on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. John Powell. Please note change of meeting hour from 4 o'clock to 3:30.

Cy Delano Dowdy Arrives

Cy Delano Dowdy arrived about 2 o'clock last Monday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dowdy. The "Cy" portion of the name probably originates from the sports preference of Daddy Dowdy, who quite obviously has ambitions for the youngster. As for the Delano . . . remember what happened last November? At any rate, Mrs. Dowdy and the baby are both in fine health.

OLD FASHIONED OR "LYE" HOMINY IS EASY TO PREPARE

That the old-fashioned home-made "lye hominy" is both a healthful and economical daily dish is the claim of Jewell Mayes of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, in recommending the "Iowa way," as follows:

Put 2 tablespoons of lye into an iron kettle, and add 1 pint of cold water; when the lye is dissolved, add 1 gallon boiling water and stir thoroughly.

Stir in 2 quarts of shelled white corn (yellow, if preferred), and bring to the boiling point in 15 or 20 minutes. Boil 20 minutes, stirring constantly. If the mixture cooks down so that the corn sticks in the kettle, add more boiling water. This will make 6 to 8 quarts of "lye hominy".

When the part of the grains that have been attached to the ear fall out when touched, the corn is ready to wash.

Remove from the stove and fill the kettle with cold water, stirring thoroughly while bringing to a boil. Drain off the water and repeat four or five times.

A churn dasher or a stick of some kind may be used to stir the hominy, as the lye will burn the hands. Continue washing until all the lower parts of the kernels have been washed out.

After the last washing, cover the corn with cold water, bring to the boiling point and boil for 3 or 4 hours. As the corn swells, add more water.

Hard work is the best investment a man can make.

LACE CURTAIN

Special Prices During Month of February

During the month of February we are making the following Special Prices on all kinds of Window Curtains:

Ruffled Curtains 30c Per Pair
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Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, as second-class mail matter, according to act of Congress.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Loomis Mayfield as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Grover Baker as a candidate for election as Alderman from the Second Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

We are authorized to announce Gust Zacher as a candidate for re-election as Alderman from the Third Ward, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

"What is hell?" Here is the answer of one Democratic editor of Missouri: "After the Republican party workers have been shaking every fat plum tree in the land for twelve years, and have been creating new jobs and loading up departments with political workers at big salaries and fine cars, doing political stunts with never a hint at economy; when there was money for every political hack who wanted a job of State funds in every department; when extravagance was a virtue and waste credentials for promotion—and then the people drove the money squanders from the temple of the government, State and nation, and Democrats come into power, only to find that the Republicans had 'licked the platter clean' and had left no money for anything, and it was necessary to merge departments, lop off jobs and reduce salaries all along the line—that is hell for Democrats and we don't mean maybe."

The hall has opened in the Spring election for Aldermen. In the Second Ward two candidates have announced, Loomis Mayfield for re-election, and Grover Baker shies his hat in the ring for the first time. Over in the Third Ward, Gust Zacher is out for re-election with no opposition to date. Three mighty good men who are willing to give their time and talents to make their home city a better place to live.

The International Shoe Co., of St. Louis, one of the largest manufacturers of shoes for all classes of people in the world, have selected the Buckner-Ragsdale Co. of Skeston as exclusive agents for their Star brand of shoes for men and women and boys and girls in this city. Lines are now on display in the Buckner-Ragsdale show windows. As the International Shoe Co. payroll has been Skeston's best meal ticket for the past ten years, their shoes should be worn exclusively by all employees and the citizens generally.

Miss Hazel Lumsden of Skeston is one of the three students out of the hundreds at Central College, Fayette, Mo., who was as near perfect in her studies as is possible. This is truly an honor and The Standard joins in congratulating this splendid young woman on her achievement.

Car Wash
50c

Car Greased
50c



An absolutely even temperature in the home—regardless of Old Man Weather... a safe heat... freedom from slavery... no dust and dirt from the heating plant. Those are important considerations for the health of the family. When those virtues are accompanied by economy, you can step off to the day's work without a worry. Chaney's Coal combines all the qualities that make for confidence in heating your home. And it costs no more than coals which are much lower in grade.

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W. M. U. NEWS

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist church will meet this coming Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Mollie Harper. The Mary Reed Circle will have charge of the program, while the refreshments will be served by the Mary Webb Circle. All members of the Union are invited to be present.

Circle News

The Circles all met last Thursday afternoon. The Ann Hasseltin Circle at the home of Mrs. Tessie Lee. Regular business was transacted, after which the lesson from the book "How to Pray," was given. The next meeting of the Circle will be with Mrs. Dean Marshall.

The Mary Webb Circle met with Mrs. Miley Limbaugh, with eleven members present. All members of this Circle are requested to bring at the next meeting, quilt scraps which will be sent to the Old Folks Home at Ironton. The program from the book "Larger Stewardships," was given by different members. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Joe Mathis.

The Young Matrons' Circle held their meeting with Mrs. Van Edwards. At this time the members selected a name for their Circle, deciding on the name of Mary Reed. Miss Reed is a Missionary in a leper colony in India, twice being a leper victim. She has devoted her entire life as a Missionary. She is said to be 90 years old and now blind. Mrs. Clyde Meredith led the program from the book "Why and How of Missions." The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ernest Cox.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY

The Skeston Royal Neighbor lodge will meet Friday afternoon, February 24, at the home of the Oracle, Mrs. E. D. Suchman, east of Skeston. This will be a social meetin and all members are invited to attend.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL NEWS

Mrs. Charles Praul, who recently underwent a major operation, is reported to be getting along fine.

Mrs. Robert Poage entered the hospital last Thursday for treatment.

Mrs. B. H. Simms of near Skeston underwent a major operation Sunday morning. She is reported as doing very nicely.

WELLS TO DESCRIBE NATIONAL CAPITAL

"In the National Museum at Washington, D. C., there are 13 million objects and no one man has seen them all. If a person were to spend a minute on each object during each eight hour working day, it would take him 74 years to complete the job," says Varveth Wells, Continental Oil Company radio entertainer, who will devote his regular Wednesday night broadcast February 22 to the nation's capital.

An unusual feature of the program, which will be broadcast over 23 N. B. C. stations, will be the introduction of the ghost of Pierre L'Enfant, French engineer in the American Revolutionary army, who first conceived the present day arrangement of Washington's streets and buildings. Many other interesting facts concerning America's most beautiful city and its residents are included.

The Conoco program may be heard by local listener who tune in on stations KSD or KTHS Wednesday night at 9:30 o'clock.

W. W. Longmire, Monroe City's famous real estate lawyer, attributes our widespread land ill to the meeting of two dampfools. The farm owner was a dampfool for wanting to borrow so much money on his land. The money owner was a dampfool for being willing to lend so much on it. There you are. How could you beat it?—Paris Appeal.

Dock Hooks, our tonsorial artist, says the public couldn't get along without barbers and doctors, as barbers look after the casing and the doctors the inner tubes.—Commercial Appeal.



FOR RENT—3-room apartment, not modern, \$8.00 per month.—603 Williams.—C. C. Scott, tf-41.

STRAYS—Have taken up two stray sows, one red, other spotted, weigh about 150 lbs. each. Owner can have same by paying for keep and this notice.—Fred Paul, 1 mile east of Skeston, 3t-41.

WANTED—To buy for cash, modern 4-stand gin complete with Fairbanks, Morse engine. State age, condition.—Wm. Harris, box 308, Earle, Ark. 2t-41.

WANTED—Reliable men, age 25 to 50 to supply established demand for Rawleigh Products in Mississippi County. Other good localities available. Company furnishes everything but the car. Good profits for hustlers. Write the W. T. Rawleigh Company, Memphis, Tenn., Dept. M-3097, 5t-9.

FOR RENT—5-room house with lights.—Mrs. Jane Mills, tf-31

FOR RENT—Housekeeping rooms 805 North Kinghighway, tf-36

BOARD \$5.00 PER WEEK Mrs. J. W. (Judge) Myers South Flat in Felker Bldg. Over Miss Daisy Garden's Phone 516

News of The Town

MRS. C. M. HARRIS, Phone 581

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Comer, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Porter, Mrs. Anna Coffin, Mrs. Maude Wicks and Mrs. Beulah Howe were among those who attended the revival meeting at Morehouse Sunday afternoon which is being conducted in the Methodist church by Rev. G. P. Comer, evangelist.

A delegation of twenty members of the local Baptist church attended the revival meeting at Blodgett last Thursday night is being conducted by Rev. L. H. Maples of this city. Among the group was the sextet from the local church which furnished a special vocal number.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith and daughter, Shirley Jean, spent Sunday near Poplar Bluff with the former's brother, Press Smith and family, while Misses Vernetta and Mary Ethel Smith visited Misses Dorothy and Marjorie Bennett in Poplar Bluff.

Are you aware that in the course of one year the balance of your watch makes 157,680,000 revolutions? Have you had your watch cleaned in the last two or three years?—Joe Sidwell

The W. B. A. Westway Club will meet Thursday night with Mrs. Elmos Taylor. All members are invited to be present.

The Friendship Circle of the Woman's Benefit Association met last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Lon Swanner. Fifteen were present to enjoy the Washington Day program. Games in keeping with occasion were played. Mrs. Jno. Fox won the prize in authors on Patriotic Quotations, while the lot to prize went to Mrs. Nora Shannon. The color scheme was carried out in the refreshments.

The Circle will meet next time with Mrs. Stella Moll on William St. Mrs. L. J. Langley and children are visiting relatives in Piggott, Ark., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rodman of Jefferson City, who visited several days last week here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kendall, left last Saturday for a two weeks' vacation at Bradenton, Fla. Miss Tylenie Kendall accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Langley returned last Wednesday night from Piggott, Ark., where they had visited. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Langley's father, J. C. Lewis, who remained here until Saturday afternoon.

Miss Lillian Feltner, who attends school at Cape Girardeau, spent Sunday and Monday here with homefolks. Mrs. Feltner accompanied her daughter to the Cape Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Stevenson of Cape Girardeau visited Sunday afternoon at the P. H. Stevenson home.

P. H. Stevenson, City Clerk who has been absent from his duties the past three weeks on account of sickness, was able to be out for the first time Monday. Mr. Stevenson is improving and it is thought will soon be back at his post of duty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Marshall and daughters were Cape Girardeau visitors Sunday afternoon.

The Intermediate Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church will not meet tonight, the meeting being postponed on account of the basketball tournament. There will be no meeting until the regular time, Tuesday evening, March 7.

WHO WAS GOVERNOR WHEN YOU WERE BORN?

The new editor of the Blue Book, Doug Meng, well known Missouri newspaper editor and columnist, has such a fund of interesting information that the next issue of the manual will probably be the most valuable edition ever published. Newspaper editors everywhere agree that it is the most valuable book upon their desks and Mr. Meng himself believes that with a Blue Book and a World Almanac anybody could make a good newspaper. No library is complete without it.

It has been, without doubt, the most popular book of the year 1932. Volumes that have stood on the shelf in all the glory of their blue and gold have become dog-eared and thumb-marked by Missouri Democracy eager to locate the most detectable job available for them among its lists of employees and department heads.

Recently in Jefferson City, Mr. Meng called attention to the fact that there is no governor or lieutenant governor of this State living who was elected prior to 1912 and that all elected since that date are living. The surviving governors are Elliott W. Major, St. Louis, elected in 1912; Frederick D. Gardner, St. Louis, 1916; Arthur M. Hyde, now Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., 1920; Sam A. Baker, Jefferson City, 1924; Henry S. Caulfield, St. Louis, 1928; Guy B. Park, Platte City, 1932.

William R. Painter, Carrollton, is dean of the living lieutenant-governors having served with Major in 1912. Then followed Wallace Crossley, Warrensburg, 1916; Hiram Lloyd, St. Louis, 1920; Phil Bennett, Springfield, 1924; Edward H. Winter, Jefferson City, 1928; Frank G. Harris, Columbia, 1932.

The following list, which dates back to colonial days, will supply our readers with the names for their scrap books:

St. Angelo, 1761; Don Pedro Piernas, 1771; Don Francisco, 1776; Don Fernando de Leyba, 1779; Don Manuel Pierez, 1781; Don Renon Trubeau, 1785; Don Carlos D'hault Delassus, 1799; General James Wilkerson, 1804; Merriweather Lewis, Samuel Hammon, 1809; Benjamin Howard and William Clark, 1814; the last of the territorial governors.

Alexander McNair, 1820, was first governor after Missouri became a State, then followed Frederick Bates; 1824, Ben H. Reeves, (acting), 1825; John Miller, 1825; Daniel Dunklin, 1832; John Bull, 1834; Lilbourn W. Boggs, 1836; Thomas Reynolds, 1840; M. M. Marmaduke, (acting), 1844; Jno. C. Edwards, 1844; Austin A. King, 1848; Sterling Price, 1850; Truman Polk, 1856; Hancock Jackson, (acting), 1857; Robert M. Stewart, 1857.

Claiborne F. Jackson, 1860; Hamilton R. Gamble, 1861; Thomas C. Fletcher, 1861; B. Gratz Brown, 1870; Silas Woodson, 1872; Charles H. Hardin, 1874; John S. Phelps, 1876; Thomas T. Crittenden, 1880; John S. Marmaduke, 1884; Albert Morehouse (acting), 1887; David R. Francis, 1889; Wm. J. Stone, 1892; Lon V. Stephens, 1896; Alexander M. Dockery, 1900; Jos. W. Polk, 1904; Herbert S. Hadley, 1908.

Several of our women called on the new lady that has moved into the neighborhood on the Gander Creek road, and after checking on her they couldn't find much fault, except that she brags on her husband too much.—Commercial Appeal.

The grocer at Tickville says the moving picture business sure has interfered with his enjoyment, as he used to get into all the real shows at the opera house by furnishing barrel staves to the comedians.—Commercial Appeal.

The fellow who does just enough to get by never earns enough to buy much.

A lot of people are hard to please. Some others are just as hard.

Friedman-Shelby
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Buy your International Shoes here for the entire family.

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\$1.95 to \$3.95

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The Place to Buy Friedman-Shelby All Leather Shoes

The Peoples Store
Sikeston's Progressive Store 2d door north of Bank of Skeston

We Give Eagle Stamps

Sikeston Coal Co.
OTIS FAHRENKOPF

McDOWELL REDISTRICTING BILL FINDS FAVOR WITH LAW MAKERS IN SESSION

Amid an avalanche of proposed redistricting bills coming before the Missouri Senate during the present session, it is more than probable that Senator J. C. McDowell of Charleston, will emerge as the author of the law that will distribute the political complexion of the State.

This industrious Senator has rapidly, and none the less effectively, drawn around him a support capable of over-coming many legislative obstacles. For this reason he has been chosen to lead the redistricting program that at this time appears more than likely to induce the most general approval of the Senate.

For Southeast Missouri it is doubtful if a more desirable plan could be brought forth than the one proposed. As introduced in the Senate, it would place in the Tenth District that section of Missouri properly belonging to the Southeast area, a total of ten counties with a population of 253,000. This district, which would be known as the "Tenth" could comprise the following counties: Pemissot, Dunklin, New Madrid, Mississippi, Scott, Stoddard, Butler, Ripley, Bollinger and Cape Girardeau.

The Eighth District comprised largely of what was heretofore the Thirteenth District, would have a total of eighteen counties, and the majority of the old district is represented in Congress by Clyde Williams of Hillsboro.

This district would extend to St. Louis on the North, down the Mississippi River including Perry, dividing Madison and Bollinger, Wayne and Stoddard, Carter and Butler, taking in Oregon on the South, Shannon, Texas and Laclede on the Southwest, and Pulaski, Phelps, Crawford, Washington and Jefferson on the North. The population of this district would be 253,700, which by the law of averages as computed through three normal election years would deliver a Democratic majority of 4690.

The Democratic majority of the Tenth District as computed by the law of averages of several election years would be 4611, allowing both districts to revert to the other political party in times of general stress and economic unrest.

McDowell says that this is a fair and equitable distribution of both area and population and bears less of the ear marks of gerrymandering than most bills being introduced in the current session of the Senate. "The two Congressmen that will be selected from these two districts," says McDowell, "would have, in the main, the same interests in most national legislation affecting the Southeast Missouri area. Especially would this be true in matters of flood and river legislation as well as agricultural tax matters. It will be noted that the two districts comprise all of that land directly drained by the Mississippi River from St. Louis County to the Arkansas line. In these two districts there are a total of eight counties

actually bordering on the Mississippi River with twice as many more immediately joining these river bottom counties. While a few Ozark Mountain counties are included in the eighth district their problems are largely the same as the problems of the alluvial section of Southeast Missouri so far as affected by agricultural or economic legislation."

While the tactician McDowell freely admits that this bill offers a decided advantage to those of his own political faith, he also contends that there are other major considerations that will make it favorable to all Missouri. Not many actual changes have been made from the two districts between the new and the old boundary which hemmed in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Districts. Laclede and Pulaski have been added on the Northwest to the Eighth that are not in the old Thirteenth, while Oregon on the South, a strong Democratic county, has been added to the Eighth, which was formerly in the old Fourteenth. Six counties on the West, taken from the old Thirteenth and put in the newly created Seventh. These are Howell, Ozark, Douglas, Christian, Taney and Stone. For many years this group of counties has contributed a balance of power in the Fourteenth District in that for the most part they have been Republican in political complexion.

These counties have been placed in a district of their own including in addition to those mentioned the counties of Webster, Barry, Wright, Lawrence, Dade, Jasper and McDonald. The new Seventh District would have a total population of 293,300 and would carry a Republican majority.

It is generally understood that the Mississippi County Solon in the presentation of his bill has a large measure satisfied most of the present legislators this session who are lead by Congressmen Milligan and Romju. Romju, according to some of the bills under discussion, would be placed in a district where he would no longer be the outstanding leader that has placed him for so many years at the head of his party, while Milligan would be thrown into a district where he would be in conflict with the present Democratic incumbent. The McDowell bill would eliminate this condition and place Harris County over into third district and remove the objection of the Romju supporters. Milligan would also be left as the outstanding factor of his district as he has been for the past fourteen years.

"I have not found any serious objection to this plan arising from members of the present Senate," says McDowell, "and I sincerely believe that the bill will receive the greatest support of any bill introduced either at the present or the 1931 session. The districts for the most part maintain an equality of population and the political complexion is of course determined by economic conditions as in the past. The State, however, of course assuming the present political complexion to be a criterion, would be

Democratic, by a good majority. This majority, however, would not be as preponderant as was the 1932 general election returns.

McDowell is clearly riding on the crest of a popular movement backed by a strongly Democratic Senate and almost unanimously Democratic House. The mere fact that a bill might make the State Democratic is in no way a deterrent factor. While some objection might arise from a few of the Southwest Missouri Counties, rock-ribbed Republican, and St. Louis where a single Republican District is ranged along side two Democratic ones, it is generally believed the Democratic House and Senate will fall in line behind McDowell's lead.

For a baby member the lanky Southeast Missourian is rapidly assuming proportions that bid fair to make him in a few years a political personage to be reckoned with in Missouri Pow-wows.

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Chicago, February 18.—An egg-laying derby in which hens from all parts of the United States and from foreign lands will compete for honors will be one of the features of Chicago's 1933 World's Fair—a Century of Progress Exposition.

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The egg-laying contest will last for six months. The birds will be housed in the exhibit the first week in April. The actual egg-count will begin May 1, or one month before the formal opening of the Exposition. It will end October 29, two days prior to the closing of the Fair.

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